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Golda Meir at her home in Israel, 1971. She was one of the most impressive women I have ever met. (Photo by Cynthia Helms)

Richard Helms, the Director of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), visits Prime Minister of Israel Golda Meir (left) at her home in Israel in 1971. Richard Helms was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

(Source: *A Look Over My Shoulder: A Life in the Central Intelligence Agency* by Richard Helms with William Hood)

INTERNATIONAL BANKERS & POWERBROKERS



Left to right: Felix Warburg, Vera Weizmann, Frieda Schiff Warburg, and Chaim Weizmann appear at a Boston conference for the United Palestine Appeal in November 1928. Felix Warburg, along with his brother Paul Warburg, was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a partner of Kuhn, Loeb & Co. banking firm in New York City. (Photo: *The Warburgs* by Ron Chernow)



Jacob A. Frenkel (left), President of Merrill Lynch International, exchanges business cards with Henry R. Kravis, financier and founding partner of Kohlberg, Kravis, Roberts & Co. during the World Economic Forum at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel on January 31, 2002. Henry R. Kravis is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and has attended many Bilderberg Meetings. Jacob A. Frankel is a member of the Trilateral Commission and a former Governor of the Bank of Israel. (AP Photo)



Former Governor of New York Averell Harriman appears with Prime Minister of Israel Golda Meir (left) at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C. on September 27, 1969. Both Meir and Harriman served as ambassadors to the Soviet Union.
(Source: [Golda Meir Photo Collection at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee Libraries](#))



Governor of New York Nelson Rockefeller appear with Prime Minister of Israel Golda Meir (left) at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City on September 29, 1969.
(Source: [Golda Meir Photo Collection at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee Libraries](#))



Former Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Barak greets Council on Foreign Relations Chairman Peter G. Peterson at the Harold Pratt House. (Photo: 2005 Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



David Rockefeller, the Chairman of the board of Chase Manhattan Bank, chats with Prime Minister of Israel Golda Meir during a dinner. (Photo: *Memoirs* by David Rockefeller)



James Wolfensohn (left), outgoing President of the World Bank, shakes hands with Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon at the start of their meeting on May 2, 2005 in Sharon's offices in Jerusalem, Israel. James Wolfensohn is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a regular Bilderberg Meetings participant. (Photo by Moshe Milner/GPO via Getty Images)



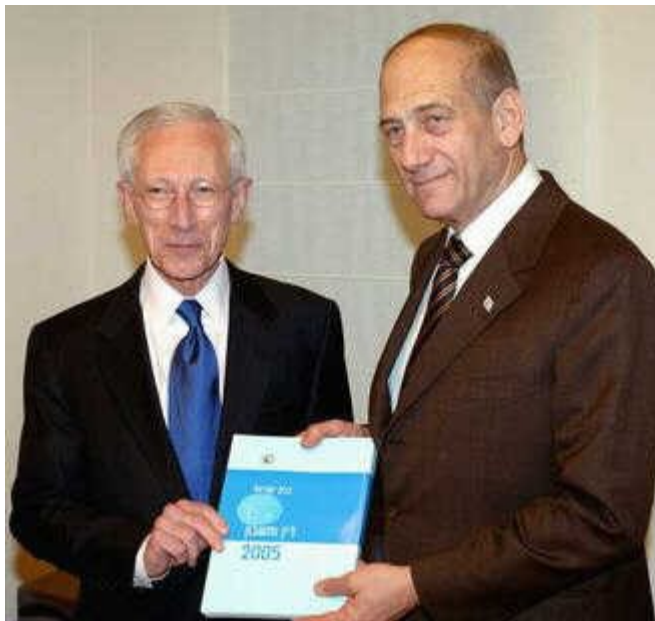
World Bank President James Wolfensohn (left) shakes hands with Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Barak at a hotel in New York City on November 20, 1999. (Stan Honda/AFP/Getty Images)



Israel's Deputy Prime Minister Shimon Peres and the "international community" representative for Israel's Gaza pullout James Wolfensohn (left) walk together before a press conference in Jerusalem, on September 7, 2005.
(Eitan Abramovich/AFP/Getty Images)



Israel's Defense Minister Shaul Mofaz (left) meets with James Wolfensohn, outgoing President of The World Bank, in Tel Aviv, Israel on May 2, 2005. (Photo by Ariel Hermoni/MOD via Getty Images)



Stanley Fischer (left), the Governor of the Bank of Israel, and Ehud Olmert (right), the Prime Minister of Israel, display a copy of the 2005 Bank of Israel annual report in Jerusalem on April 2, 2006. Stanley Fischer is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and a member of the Trilateral Commission. Stanley Fischer attended the Bilderberg Meetings in 1996, 1998, and 1999. Stanley Fischer maintains dual citizenship; Stanley Fischer is an American citizen AND an Israeli citizen. (Photo: [Amos Ben Gershon, Israel Government Press Office \(GPO\)](#))

Stanley Fischer's biography from the [Bank of Israel](#)

"Prof. Stanley Fischer has been Governor of the Bank of Israel since May 2005. Prior to joining the Bank of Israel, Prof. Fischer was Vice Chairman of Citigroup from February 2002 through April 2005, where he was also Head of the Public Sector Group from February 2004 to April 2005, Chairman of the Country Risk Committee, and President of Citigroup International. Prof. Fischer was the First Deputy Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund, from September 1994 until the end of August 2001. Before he joined the IMF, Prof. Fischer was the Killian Professor and Head of the Department of Economics at MIT (Massachusetts Institute of Technology). From January 1988 to August 1990 he was Vice President, Development Economics and Chief Economist at the World Bank . . . Prof. Fischer is a Fellow of the Econometric Society and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, a member of the **Council on Foreign Relations**, the G-30, and the **Trilateral Commission**, a Guggenheim Fellow, and a Research Associate of the National Bureau of Economic Research. He has served on the Boards of the Institute for International Economics, Women's World Banking and the International Crisis Group, as well as the International Advisory Board of the New Economic School, Moscow."



Stanley Fischer (left), the Governor of the Bank of Israel, watches Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon (second from left), Israel's Finance Minister Ehud Olmert (second from right), and an unidentified Israeli bureaucrat hold a copy of a check at a ceremony in the Prime Minister's office in Jerusalem, Israel on January 4, 2006. (Photo: [Amos Ben Gershon, Israel Government Press Office \(GPO\)](#))



Stanley Fischer (center) is received by Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon (left) and Israel's Finance Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in the Prime Minister's office in Jerusalem, Israel on January 17, 2005. (Photo by Brian Hendler/Getty Images)



Left: Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon shakes hands with Stanley Fischer in Tel Aviv, Israel on May 19, 2005. (Photo: [Amos Ben Gershon, GPO](#))



Right: Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Barak (left) shakes hands with Stanley Fischer, the First Deputy Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund, in Tel Aviv, Israel on November 28, 1999. (Photo: [Moshe Milner, GPO](#))



Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs R. Nicholas Burns shakes hand with Bank of Israel Governor Stanley Fischer (left) during a ceremony at Israel's Foreign Ministry in Jerusalem on August 16, 2007. A memorandum of understanding (MOU) was signed by Israel and the United States, outlining defense aid to be provided to Israel by the Americans to the tune of \$30 billion in the next decade, a 25 percent increase over previous years. At a signing ceremony in Jerusalem, Burns pledged the United States would help Israel maintain a military advantage over its regional foes. Stanley Fischer and R. Nicholas Burns are members of the Council on Foreign Relations. (AFP/Getty Images)



Shimon Peres (L), President of Israel, speaks with Robert Zoellick (R), President of The World Bank Group at the Clinton Global Initiative (CGI) in New York City on September 25, 2008. The three-day event will bring together global leaders to develop and then implement workable solutions to some of the world's most pressing challenges. (AFP/Getty Images)



In this handout photo provided by the Israeli Government Press Office (GPO), Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu (L) receives the Bank of Israel annual report from Governor Stanley Fischer of the Bank of Israel in Jerusalem, Israel on April 19, 2009. Fischer reported that Israel is withstanding the global economic crisis but that the recession is far from over. ([Getty Images](#))



Ariel Sharon (center), the Prime Minister of Israel, watches Stanley Fischer, the new Governor of the Bank of Israel, shake hands with Benjamin Netanyahu, the Finance Minister of Israel, in Jerusalem on May 1, 2005.



Israeli Acting Prime Minister Ehud Olmert receives the 2005 Israel Bank Report from Governor of the Bank of Israel Stanley Fischer (left) in Jerusalem on April 2, 2006. (Photo by Amos Ben Gershom/GPO via Getty Images)



Left to right: Bank of Israel Governor Stanley Fischer, Israel's President Shimon Peres, Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu, and Israel's Finance Minister Yuval Steinitz attend a swearing-in ceremony for Stanley Fischer's second five-year term in Jerusalem on Sunday, May 2, 2010. Fischer said on Sunday Israel could become a leading economy globally if a Middle East peace deal is reached but that the key challenges for now were to accelerate growth and cut poverty. (Reuters)

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HENRY KISSINGER & ISRAEL



Former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger (left) meets with Israeli President Shimon Peres in Jerusalem, Israel on May 12, 2008. Kissinger was in Israel as part of celebrations of the 60th anniversary of the founding of the state. (Getty Images via Israeli Government Press Office)



Former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger (left) meets with Israel's Defense Minister Ehud Barak in Tel Aviv on May 12, 2008. (Reuters)



Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres is greeted by former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger before addressing the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington D.C. on June 1, 1995. (Joyce Naltchayan/AFP/Getty Images)



Henry Kissinger greets Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon at the Israeli Consul General's home in New York City on June 25, 2001. (Photo: [Avi Ohayon, GPO](#))



Henry Kissinger talks to Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon at the Israeli Consul General's home in New York City on June 25, 2001. Ariel Sharon was a member of the Likud Party. (Photo: [Avi Ohayon, GPO](#))



Henry Kissinger greets Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu in Jerusalem on January 10, 1999. Benjamin Netanyahu is a member of the Likud Party. (Photo: [Avi Ohayon, GPO](#))



Henry Kissinger embraces Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Shamir at the Regency Hotel in New York City on March 20, 1988. Yitzhak Shamir is a member of the Likud Party; Shamir was a member of the Stern Gang. (Photo: [Ayalon Maggi, GPO](#))



Henry Kissinger embraces Prime Minister of Israel Menachem Begin in Washington D.C. on July 20, 1977. Menachem Begin was a member of the Likud Party and a member of the Irgun Zvai Leumi (IZL). (Photo: [Jaacov Saar, GPO](#))



Henry Kissinger laughs with Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Shamir in New York City on December 10, 1990. (Photo: [Israeli Tsvika, GPO](#))



Henry Kissinger embraces Prime Minister of Israel Shimon Peres at a hotel in New York City on October 22, 1985. (Photo: [Herman Chania, GPO](#))



Secretary of State Henry Kissinger greets Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin at a castle near Bonn in West Germany on July 12, 1975. (Photo: [Moshe Milner, GPO](#))



Prime Minister Golda Meir talks to Secretary of State Henry Kissinger in Jerusalem on February 27, 1974. The man on the left is Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Allon. (Photo: [Moshe Milner, GPO](#))



Secretary of State Henry Kissinger talks to Abba Eban (left) and Yigal Allon (center) at Eban's house on December 16, 1973. (Photo: [Jaacov Saar, GPO](#))



Secretary of State Henry Kissinger socializes with David Elazar at a black tie dinner held at the Israeli Ambassador's residence in Washington D.C. on September 11, 1974. (Photo: [Moshe Milner, GPO](#))



Israeli President Efraim Katzir (center) meets with Foreign Minister Yigal Allon (right) and Secretary of State Henry Kissinger in Jerusalem on February 11, 1975. (Photo: [Jaacov Saar, GPO](#))



Edgar Bronfman talks to Henry Kissinger and Prime Minister of Israel Shimon Peres at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City on April 3, 1986. Edgar Bronfman and Henry Kissinger are members of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo: [Herman Chania, GPO](#))



Henry Kissinger kisses Golda Meir.



Secretary of State Henry Kissinger looks at a map as Joe Sisco points to a map. Shimon Peres is standing beside Kissinger. Israeli Army General Mordechai Gur is standing at left, and Hal Saunders is crouching. The meeting takes place in August 1975 in Jerusalem. (Source: *Years of Renewal: The Concluding Volume of His Memoirs* by Henry Kissinger)



Left to right: Abba Eban (Foreign Minister of Israel), Henry Kissinger (U.S. Secretary of State), and Moshe Dayan (Defense Minister of Israel) celebrate at Abba Eban's house in Jerusalem on January 13, 1974. (Source: *Years of Upheaval* by Henry Kissinger)



Abba Eban (Foreign Minister of Israel), Joseph Sisco (Assistant U.S. Secretary of State), and Ephraim Evron watch U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger greet Prime Minister of Israel Golda Meir at the Prime Minister's residence in Israel on January 18, 1974. Sisco was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Source: *Years of Upheaval* by Henry Kissinger)



Rabin, Peres, aide Oded Eran, Gur, Rodman, HAK, Jerusalem, August 1975.

Council on Foreign Relations members Henry Kissinger and Peter W. Rodman have a lunch with Yitzhak Rabin, Shimon Peres, Oded Eran, and Gen. Mordechai Gur in Jerusalem in August 1975.
 (Source: *Years of Renewal: The Concluding Volume of His Memoirs* by Henry Kissinger)



Henry Kissinger and his wife Nancy Kissinger socialize with Moshe Dayan and his wife Rahel Dayan (far right).



Yitzhak Rabin, Golda Meir, Henry Kissinger, and Leah Rabin socialize at a party.



Secretary of State Henry Kissinger (left) and Abba Eban smile for the camera in May 1974.
(Source: *Abba Eban: An Autobiography* by Abba Eban)



Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin smile after signing the Israel-Egypt Interim Agreement in the Prime Minister's office in Jerusalem on September 1, 1975. (Photo: [Moshe Milner, GPO](#))



Henry Kissinger delivers a speech at the Tel Aviv University on June 29, 1983. Abba Eban is seen sitting beside Kissinger. (Photo: [Herman Chananian, GPO](#))



Joe Sisco (left) and Henry Kissinger listen to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin at the White House on June 11, 1975. (Photo: [Jaacov Saar, GPO](#))



Golda Meir talks to Henry Kissinger (left) at a party.
(Photo: [Golda Meir Photo Collection at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee Libraries](#))



Henry Kissinger shakes hands with Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu in New York City on September 23, 1998.
(Photo: [Avi Ohayon, GPO](#))

EISENHOWER, KENNEDY, AND JOHNSON ADMINISTRATIONS



Foreign Minister of Israel Moshe Sharett (left, hat in hand), Harold Stassen, and U.S. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles review Israeli soldiers at Lydda Airport, Israel on May 13, 1953.

(Photo: *Pictorial History of Israel* by Jacob A. Rubin and Meyer Barkai)



Prime Minister of Israel David Ben-Gurion (left) meets with U.S. President Dwight Eisenhower (center) and C. Douglas Dillon at the White House in Washington, D.C.



Herbert H. Lehman at the mass meeting at the Polo Grounds, New York City, April 27, 1958, for the Tenth Anniversary of the State of Israel. *Left to right:* Commander Julius C. C. Edelstein, Herbert H. Lehman, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, General Moshe Dayan, Former Chief of Staff of the Israeli Army, and Ambassador Abba Eban.

Photo Fred Brand

Both Herbert H. Lehman and Julius C.C. Edelstein were members of the Council on Foreign Relations. This photo was published in the book *Herbert H. Lehman and His Era* by Allan Nevins. Nevins was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.



American ambassador to Israel James G. McDonald speaks to David Ben-Gurion. James G. McDonald was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. This photo was published in page 61 of the book *Days of David Ben Gurion*, a book edited by Ohad Zmora, Mordechai Barkai, Nahum Pundak, and Israel Stockmann (Grossman Publishers, New York, 1967).



Left to right: Mrs. Rose L. Halprin, U.S. Ambassador to Israel James G. MacDonald, Prime Minister of Israel David Ben-Gurion, and Rabbi Ben-Zion Uziel appear in Jerusalem, Israel in 1949. (Photo: John Phillips/Time Life)



First U.S. ambassador. James G. McDonald, who became the first U.S. ambassador to Israel on March 29, 1949, having tea with Golda in 1947.

James G. McDonald, a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, meets with Golda Meir in 1947.
 (Photo: *Golda: The Uncrowned Queen of Israel: A Pictorial Biography* by Robert Slater)



Receiving, left, James McDonald, then American Ambassador to Israel, and Prime Minister Ben-Gurion.

James G. McDonald (left), the U.S. Ambassador to Israel, meets with Israel's President Chaim Weizmann (center) and Prime Minister of Israel David Ben-Gurion (right). James G. McDonald was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.
 (Source: *Weizmann: Last of the Patriarchs* by Barnet Litvinoff)



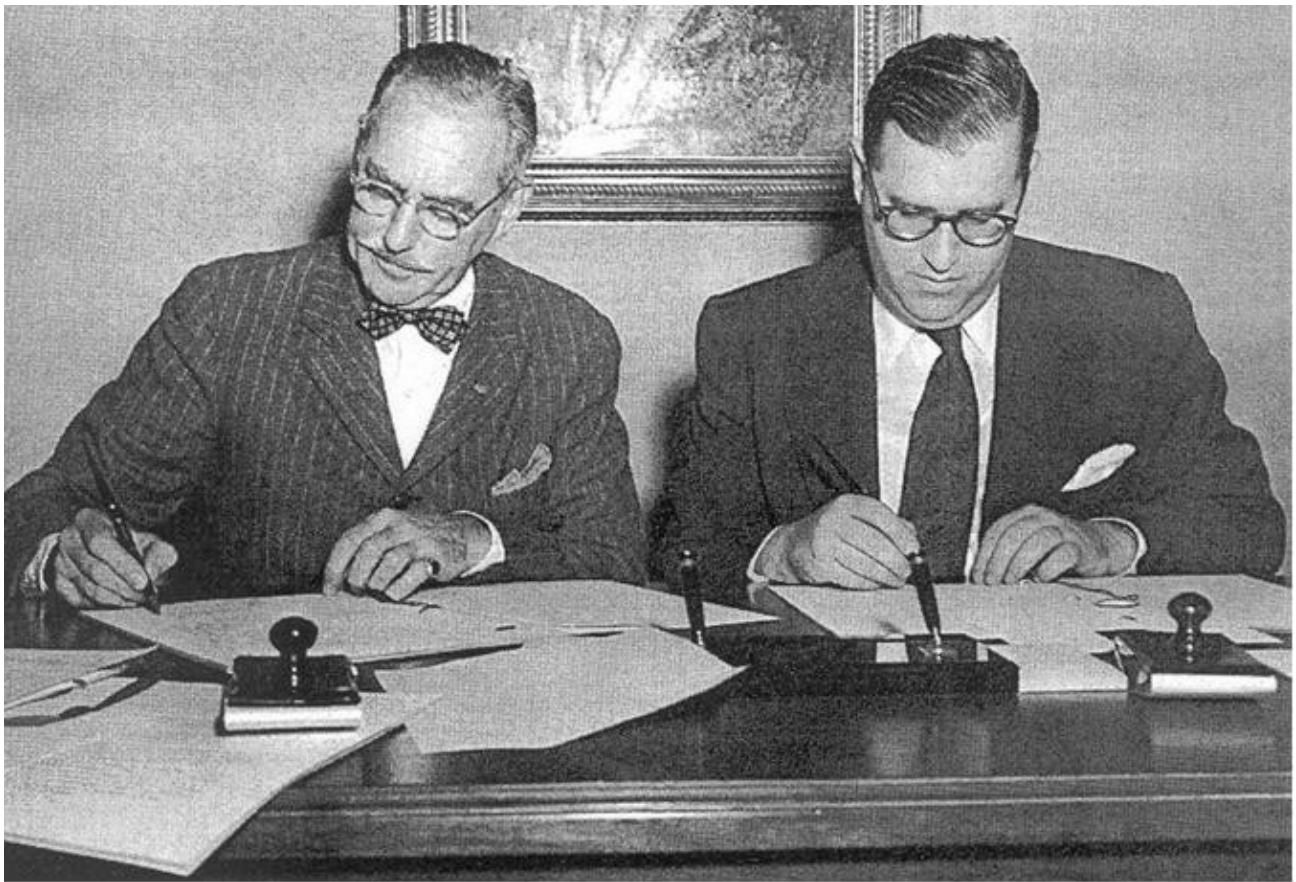
Harry Truman shows Abba Eban the Liberty Bell in 1958. Herbert Lehman stands next to Eban's right; Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren is seen standing next to the Liberty Bell with his back to the camera. Herbert Lehman was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.



Under Secretary C. Douglas Dillon (center) and Israeli Ambassador to the U.S. Abba Eban (third from right) and others meet at State Department in Washington, D.C. in February 1959. C. Douglas Dillon was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo: Hank Walker/Time Life)



Golda Meir meets with former Governor of New York Herbert Lehman (left) and former Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr. (second from right) in January 1948. Herbert Lehman was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations; Henry Morgenthau Jr. was not a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo: *Golda: The Uncrowned Queen of Israel: A Pictorial Biography* by Robert Slater)



U.S. Secretary of State Dean Acheson and Abba Eban, Ambassador to the U.S., sign a treaty in Washington D.C. in 1951.



President Dwight Eisenhower talks to Israeli Ambassador to the U.S. Abba Eban and Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett. This photo was published in the book *Eban* by Robert St. John.



Golda Meir talks to former Vice President Hubert Humphrey in Washington D.C. on September 27, 1969.
(Photo: [Golda Meir Photo Collection at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee Libraries](#))



Israeli Ambassador to the U.S. Yitzhak Rabin shakes hands with Senator Hubert H. Humphrey in 1969.
(Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)

NIXON & FORD ADMINISTRATIONS



Prime Minister of Israel Golda Meir (left) and U.S. President Richard Nixon laugh at a press conference.
(Photo: *Israel: A Personal History* by David Ben-Gurion)



President-elect Richard Nixon chats with Israeli Ambassador, Yitzhak Rabin, left, Israeli Defense Minister, Moshe Dayan, second from right, and Nixon's National Security Advisor, Dr. Henry Kissinger, right, at Nixon's headquarters in New York City on December 14, 1968. Afterward, Dayan said he was reassured the United States will not substantially change the Mideast policy under the new administration.
(Bettmann/CORBIS)



Yitzhak Rabin (left), the Israeli Ambassador to the U.S., and Prime Minister of Israel Golda Meir (center) listen to President Richard Nixon at the White House in 1969. (Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)



Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Dayan (left) and U. S. President Richard Nixon confer on Middle East problems at the White House on December 12, 1970. (Bettmann/CORBIS)



PM Rabin, flanked by Defense Minister Shimon Peres and COS Motta Gur discussing the Separation of Forces agreement with the American delegation, headed by Henry Kissinger and Joseph Sisco (1); US President Gerald Ford greets Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin at the White House (September 1974).

Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Rabin (left), Israel's Defense Minister Shimon Peres, and Israel's Army Chief of Staff (COS) Motta Gur meet with Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and Joseph Sisco.

(Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)



President Richard Nixon talks to Yitzhak Rabin, the Israeli Ambassador to the U.S., at the White House.



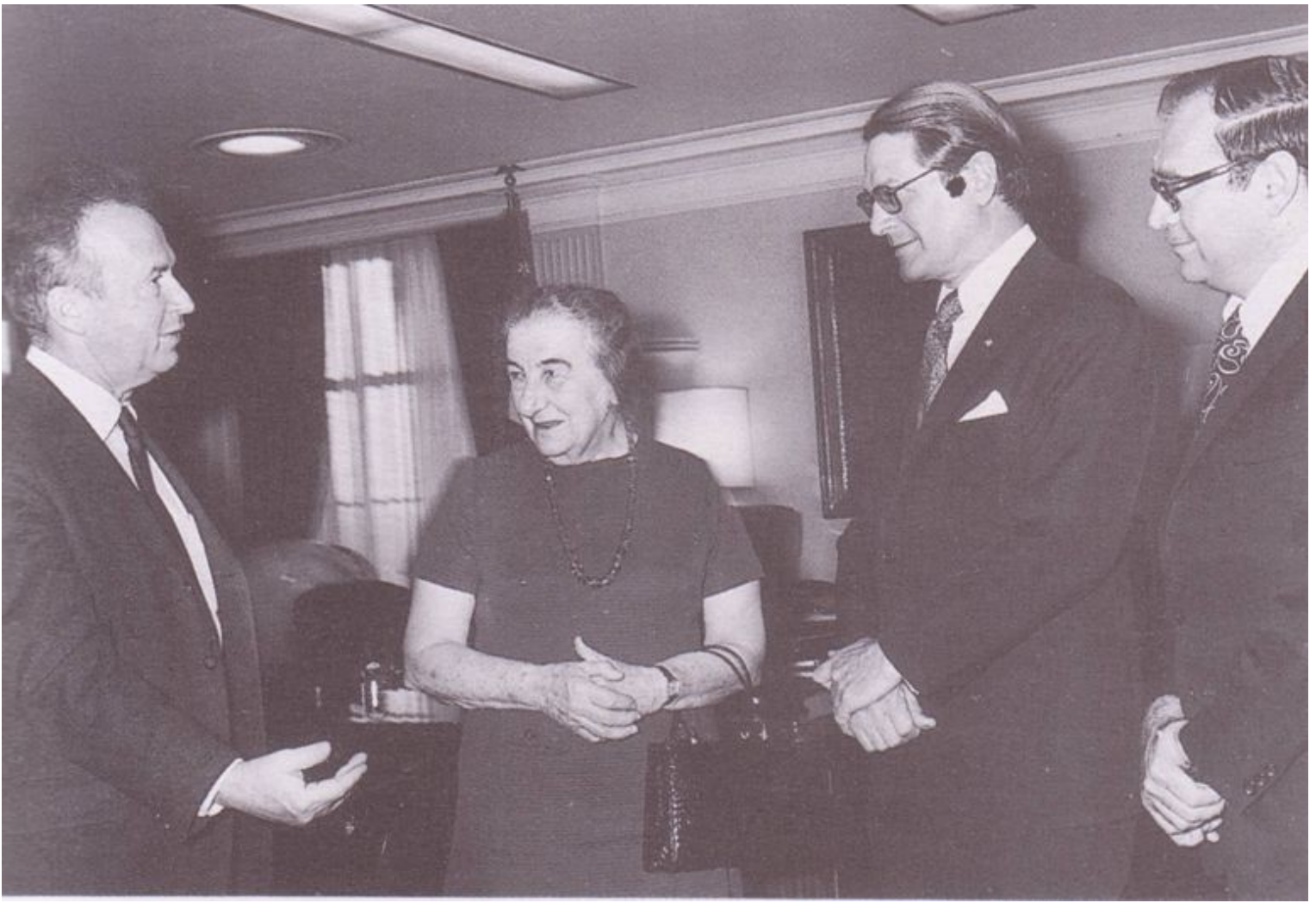
Prime Minister of Israel Golda Meir talks to President Richard Nixon and Secretary of State Henry Kissinger in 1973.



Moshe Dayan shakes hands with Richard Nixon.



Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird visits Prime Minister of Israel Golda Meir (left) and Yitzhak Rabin in September 1969.
(Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)



Yitzhak Rabin (left), Israel's Ambassador to the U.S., and Prime Minister of Israel (center) visit Secretary of Defense Elliot Richardson (second from right) in 1969. (Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)



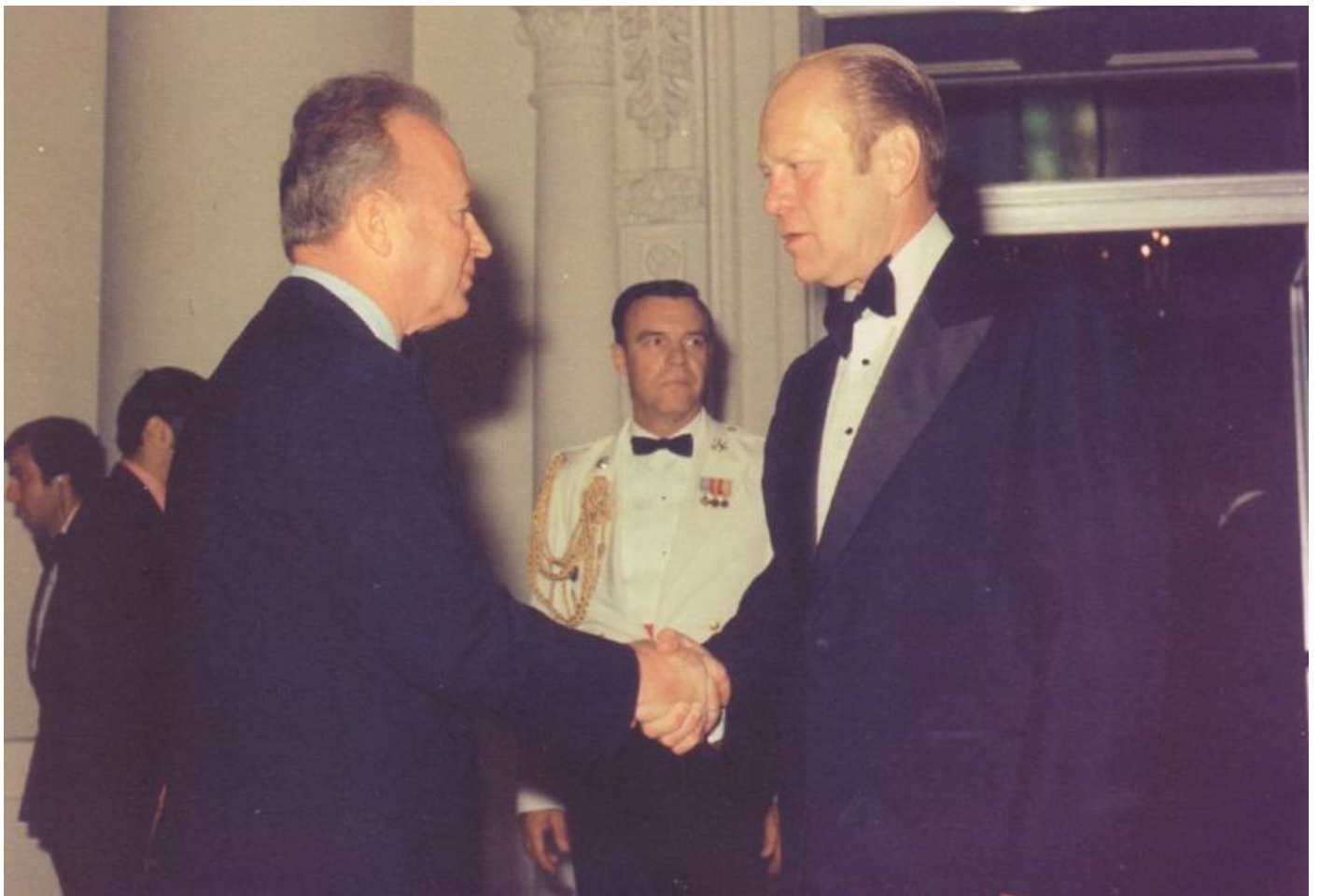
Yitzhak Rabin listens to Joseph Sisco at an airport in 1969. (Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)



Secretary of State Henry Kissinger (right) and Joseph Sisco (center) listens as Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Rabin speak to the press in West Germany in July 1975. (Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)



Secretary of State William P. Rogers (right) visits Prime Minister of Israel Golda Meir (center) and Yitzhak Rabin (left) in September 1969. (Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)



Prime Minister of Israel to the U.S. Yitzhak Rabin shakes hands with President Gerald Ford at the White House in September 1974. (Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)



In this photo provided by the Israeli Government Press Office (GPO), U.S. President Gerald Ford (C) meets Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Rabin (L) with U.S. Secretary of State Dr. Henry Kissinger in the White House on June 11, 1975. (Photo by Ya'akov Sa'ar/GPO via [Getty Images](#))



In this photo provided by the Israeli Government Press Office (GPO) U.S. President Gerald Ford (R) meets Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Rabin in the White House on June 13, 1975. (Photo by Ya'akov Sa'ar/GPO via [Getty Images](#))

CARTER ADMINISTRATION



U.S. President Jimmy Carter delivers a speech during a dinner at the White House in Washington, D.C., U.S.A. in March 1977. Andrew Young, the U.S. Representative to the United Nations, is seated third from left. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance is seated second from right. Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Rabin is seated to the left of President Jimmy Carter. (Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)



President Jimmy Carter walks with Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Rabin at the White House on March 7, 1977. (Photo: Carter Library) http://www.jimmycarterlibrary.org/documents/campdavid25/campdavid25_photos.phtml



President Jimmy Carter and Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan shake hands during a visit by the latter to Washington D.C. on March 21, 1978. (Bettmann/CORBIS)



President of the United States Jimmy Carter presides over a meeting in Washington, D.C. on October 10, 1978 between chief American and Israeli officials discussing the conditions for peace between Israel and Egypt. From left to right are: U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski, Foreign Minister of Israel Moshe Dayan, Jimmy Carter, Defense Minister of Israel Ezer Weizman, and Vice President of the United States Walter Mondale. (Wally McNamee/CORBIS)



American National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski, U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, Vice President of the United States Walter Mondale, Foreign Minister of Israel Moshe Dayan, and a few other American and Israeli officials stand together during a visit by Prime Minister of Israel Menachem Begin to Washington D.C. on March 21, 1978. (CORBIS)



Prime Minister of Israel Menachem Begin (left) and National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski play a game of chess at Camp David. Menachem Begin was a member of the terrorist organization Irgun Zvai Leumi (IZL) and a member of the Likud Party. (Photo: Jimmy Carter Library)



Defense Minister of Israel Ezer Weizmann meets with U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance.
(Photo: *The Battle for Peace* by Ezer Weizmann)



Ezer Weizmann and Defense Secretary Harold Brown salute at the Pentagon in March 1978.
(Photo: *The Battle for Peace* by Ezer Weizmann)



American President Jimmy Carter and his wife Rosalyn Carter have a dinner with Prime Minister of Israel Menachem Begin.
(Photo: *The Battle for Peace* by Ezer Weizmann)



Jimmy Carter, Cyrus Vance, and Zbigniew Brzezinski meet with Menachem Begin, Moshe Dayan (obscured, part of his eyepatch is visible), and Ezer Weizmann (back of his head facing the camera) at Camp David on September 10, 1978.
(Photo: *Power and Principle* by Zbigniew Brzezinski)



Prime Minister of Israel Menachem Begin listens as U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance addresses the press at the Carlton Tower Hotel on May 24, 1979. (Photo by Central Press/Getty Images)



Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance (center) is flanked by Foreign Minister of Egypt Mohamed Kamel (left) and Foreign Minister of Israel Moshe Dayan (right) at an international conference for peace in the Middle East at Leeds Castle in Kent, England. (Photo by Keystone/Getty Images)



U.S. President Jimmy Carter (2nd left), his wife Rosalyn Carter (left), Prime Minister of Israel Menachem Begin (2nd right), and his wife Mrs. Begin share a toast at Camp David. (Photo: Jimmy Carter Presidential Library)

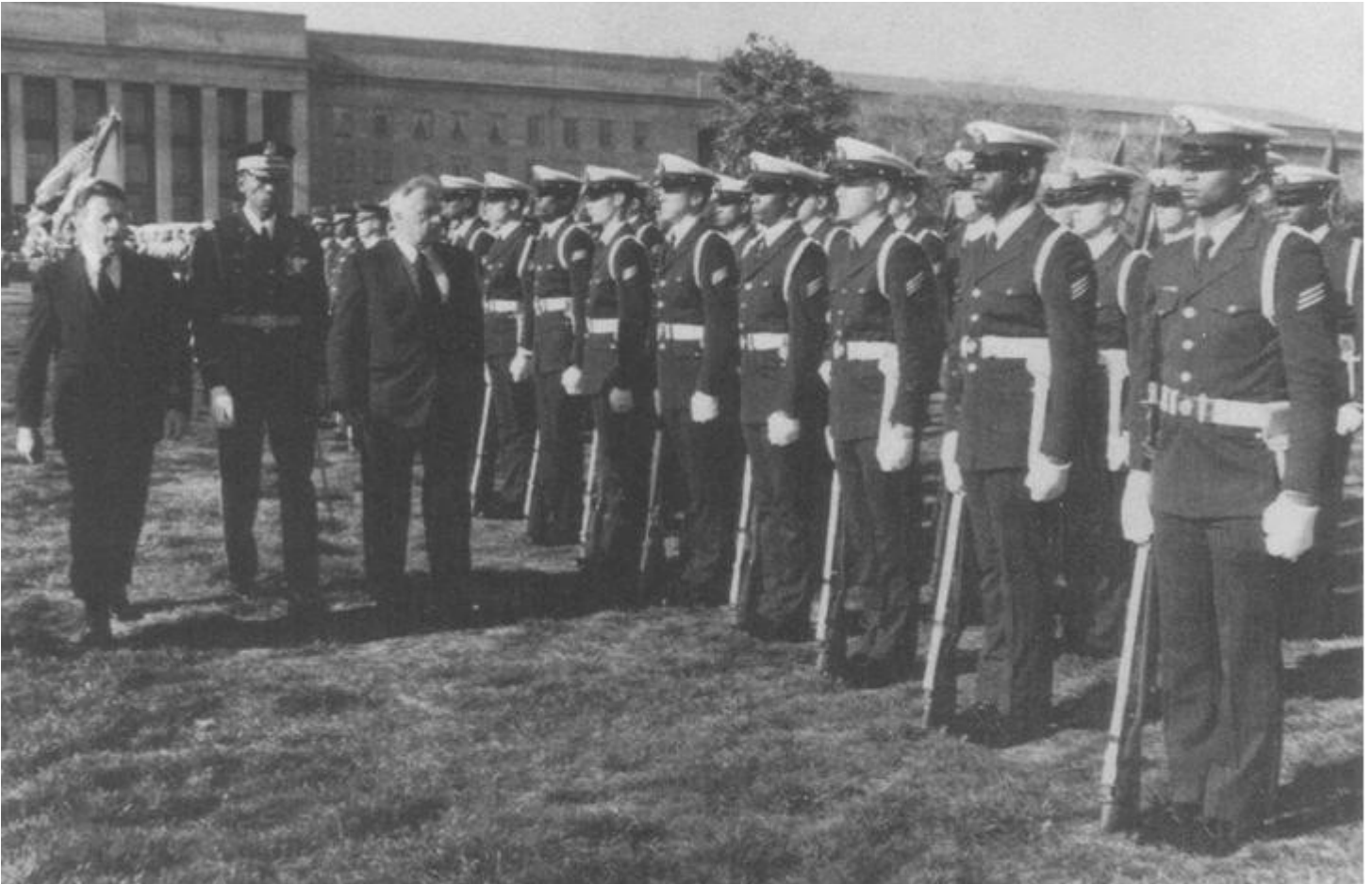
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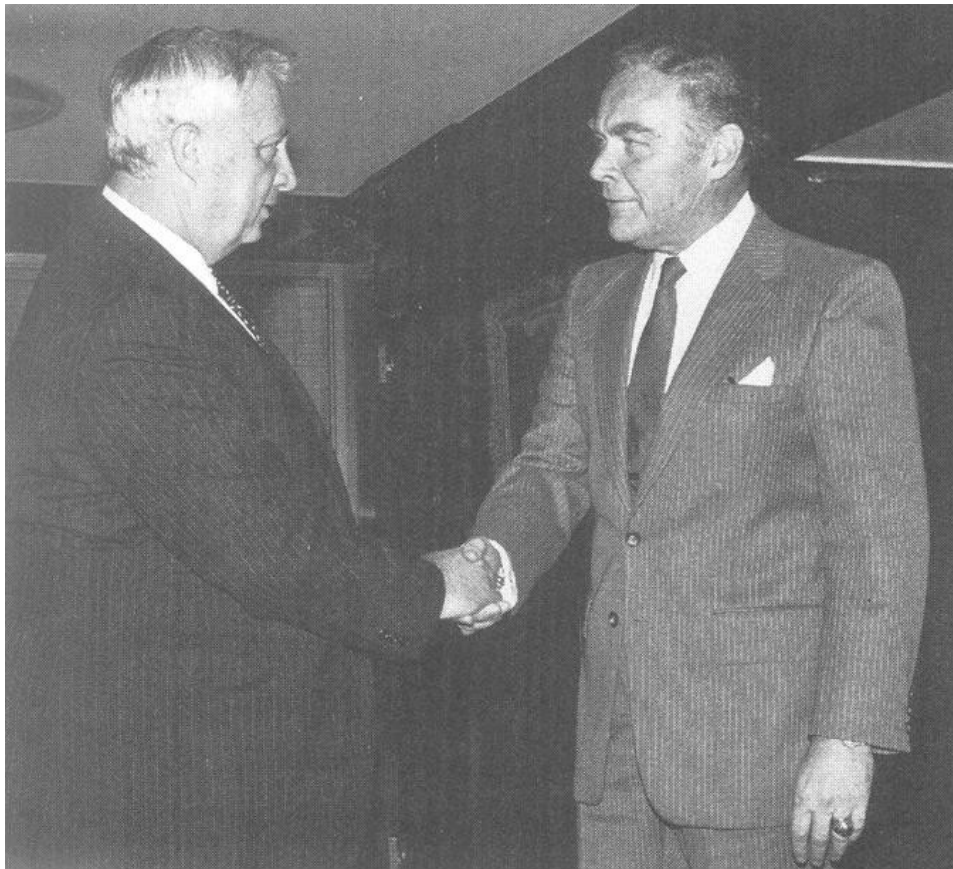
President Jimmy Carter (center) and National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski (left) meet with former Prime Minister of Israel Golda Meir in 1977. (NARA/Jimmy Carter Presidential Library)

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REAGAN ADMINISTRATION



Defense Minister Ariel Sharon and Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger review the troops at the Pentagon on November 30, 1981. (Source: *Warrior: An Autobiography* by Ariel Sharon)



Defense Minister Ariel Sharon shakes hands with Secretary of State Alexander Haig in May 1982. (Source: *Warrior: An Autobiography* by Ariel Sharon)



Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Shamir (left) shakes hands with U.S. Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger in 1982.



Meeting with Israeli Minister of Defense Yitzhak Rabin on November 14, 1985, in the Pentagon. (*Department of Defense/Helene Stikkel*)

Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger (right) stands beside Israel's Minister of Defense Yitzhak Rabin. (Photo: Helene Stikkel, U.S. Department of Defense)



Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir (L) meets with President Ronald Reagan and Secretary of State Alexander Haig in the Oval Office in Washington, D.C. on February 24, 1981. (Bettmann/CORBIS)



Defense Minister Ariel Sharon and Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger exchange a memorandum on November 30, 1981.
(Source: *Warrior: An Autobiography* by Ariel Sharon)



Defense Minister Ariel Sharon talks to Philip Habib in Beirut, Lebanon on September 1, 1982.
(Source: *Warrior: An Autobiography* by Ariel Sharon)



Prime Minister Menachem Begin (R) makes a brief statement following talks with United States Secretary of State George Shultz (L) outside the Prime Minister's office in Jerusalem on May 4, 1983. (Bettmann/CORBIS)



U.S. Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger (R) appears with Israeli Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin in September 1986. (Photo by Karl Schumacher/Time & Life Pictures/Getty Images)



Secretary of Defense Frank C. Carlucci (left) meets with Israeli Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin (right) during battle exercises in November 1988. (Photo by David Rubinger//Time Life Pictures/Getty Images)



Thomas R. Pickering (left), the U.S. Ambassador to Israel, and Deputy Secretary of State John C. Whitehead (right) meet with Prime Minister of Israel Shimon Peres (center) in Israel in August 1985. Thomas R. Pickering and John C. Whitehead are members of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo by David Rubinger//Time Life Pictures/Getty Images)



Leah Rabin, Israel's Minister of Defense Yitzhak Rabin, Vice President George H.W. Bush, Barbara Bush, Israel's Army Chief of Staff Moshe Levy, U.S. Ambassador to Israel Thomas Pickering, and Mrs. Pickering stand together at Hatzerim airfield in July 1986. Thomas Pickering is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR). Bush is a former CFR member.
(Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)



Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger watches President Ronald Reagan shakes hands with Israeli envoy Shimon Peres in front of the White House on September 15, 1986. (Jean Louis Atlan/Sygma/CORBIS)



Former U.S. Representative to the United Nations Jeane J. Kirkpatrick (left) shakes hands with Israeli Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin in Tel Aviv in December 1986. ([AP Photo](#))



Israel's Minister of Defense Yitzhak Rabin (left) shakes hands with Secretary of State George P. Shultz in February 1988. (Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)



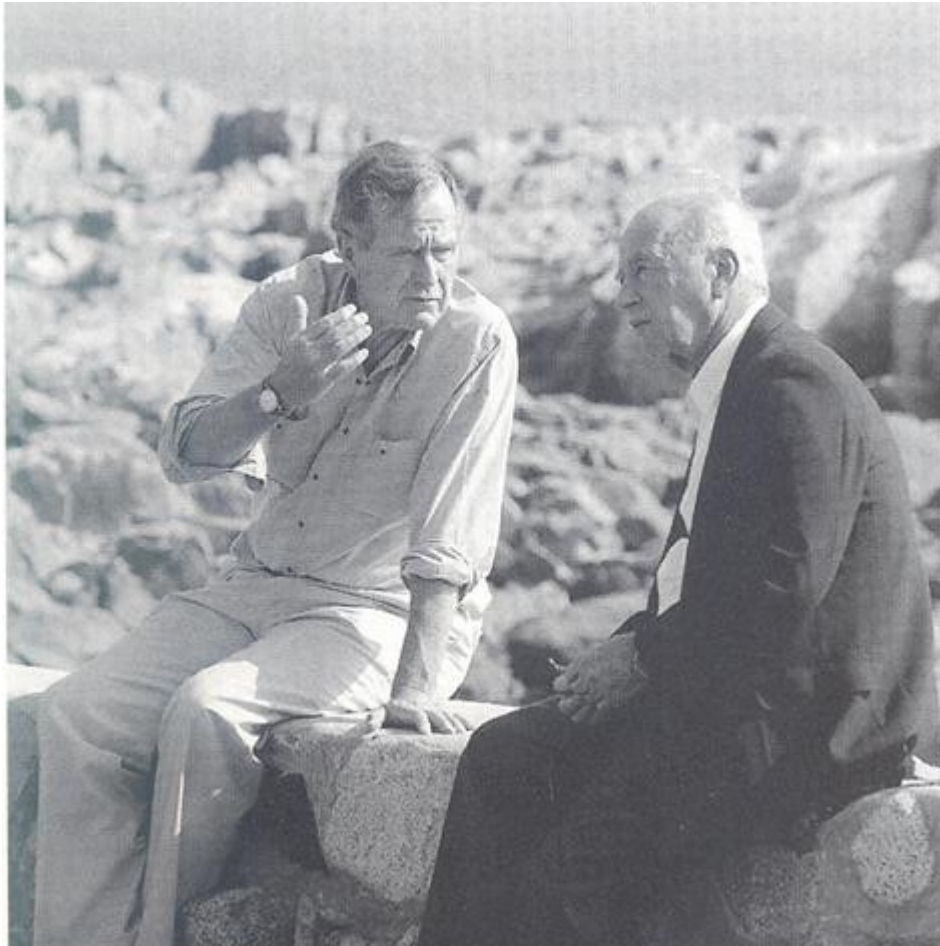
Secretary of State James A. Baker III meets with Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Rabin in Rabin's office on July 19, 1992.
(Photo: *The Politics of Diplomacy* by James A. Baker III)



Secretary of State George P. Shultz listens to Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Shamir at Shamir's office in Jerusalem on October 16, 1987. This photo was published in George P. Shultz's book *Turmoil and Triumph: My Years As Secretary of State*. (Photo: Matty Stern, USIA, Tel Aviv)



Secretary of State George P. Shultz is flanked by Prime Minister Shimon Peres (left) and Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir (right) at the Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Memorial, in Jerusalem on May 10, 1985. Yitzhak Shamir was a member of the Stern Gang during World War II. (Photo: *Turmoil and Triumph: My Years As Secretary of State* by George P. Shultz)



President George H.W. Bush speaks to Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Rabin.



Secretary of State James A. Baker III and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir celebrate in Yitzhak Shamir's apartment. This photo was published in James A. Baker's book *The Politics of Diplomacy* (AP/Wide World).



President George H.W. Bush speaks to Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Shamir at the White House on November 15, 1989. Bush is a member of Skull & Bones and a former member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Shamir was a commander of the Stern Gang and a member of the Likud Party.



Abba Eban, former Israeli Ambassador to the U.S., visits Vice President George H.W. Bush in 1986.



Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Rabin (second from left) meet with National Security Advisor Brent Scowcroft (third from right) and President George H.W. Bush in August 1992. The man sitting on the far right appears to be Richard Haass. The man sitting fourth from right appears to be Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney.
(Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)



Secretary of State James A. Baker III (left) meets Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Rabin in July 1992.
(Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)

CLINTON ADMINISTRATION



Visit of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu
February 13, 1997

Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen stands beside Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.
(Source: [William S. Cohen Papers Collection at the Fogler Library at the University of Maine](#))



Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Barak and Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen inspect the joint honor guard during an arrival ceremony at the Pentagon on July 16, 1999. (Photo: U.S. Department of Defense)



Defense Secretary William S. Cohen walks with Israeli Minister of Defense Yitzhak Mordechai into the Pentagon on Nov. 4, 1997. (Photo: U.S. Department of Defense)



U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright shakes hands with Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu at the Bristol Hotel in Paris, France on December 6, 1997. (Photo: [Jaacov Saar, GPO](#))



U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright greets Israel's President Ezer Weizmann in Jerusalem on September 10, 1997. (Photo: [Jaacov Saar, GPO](#))



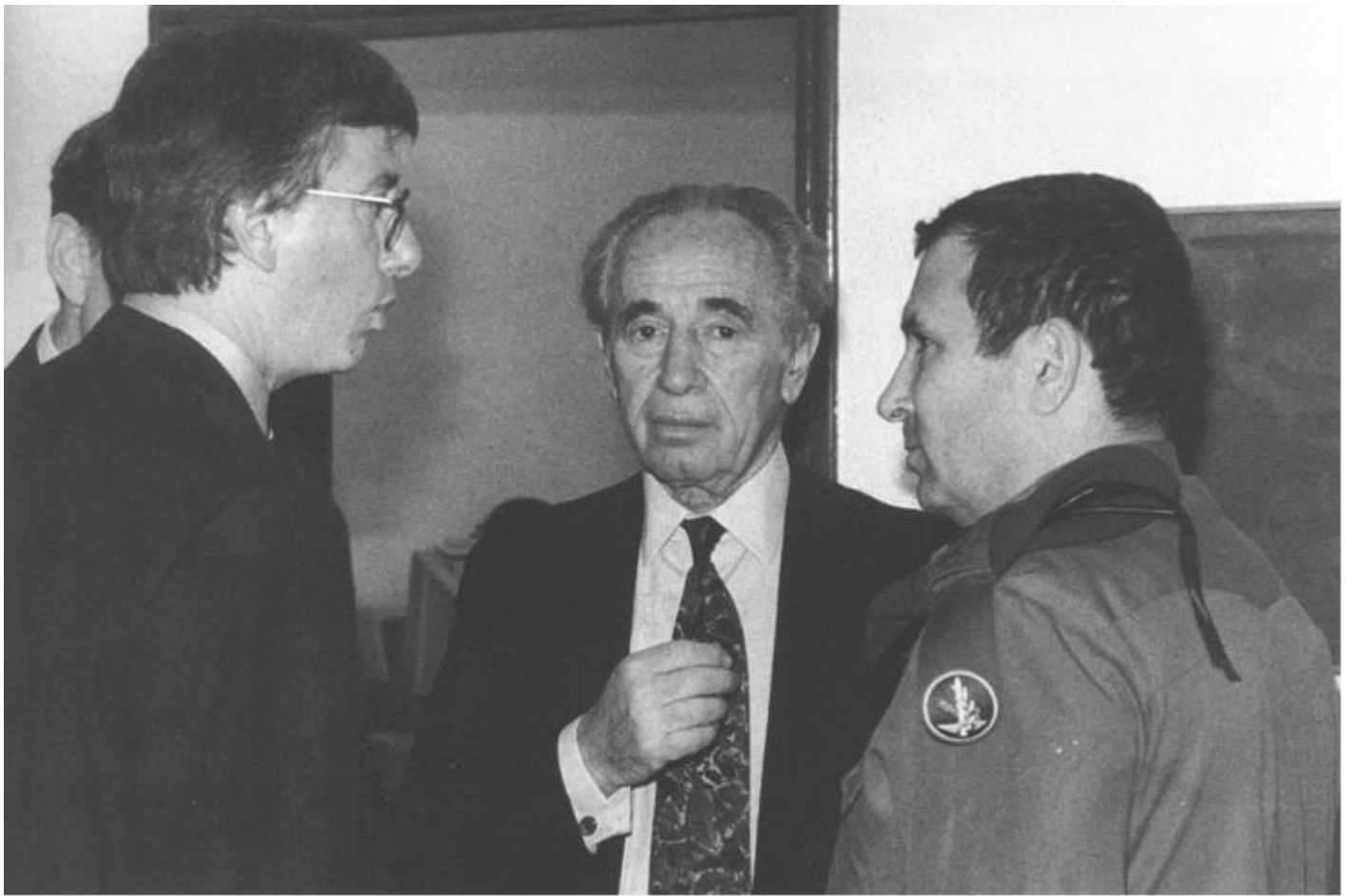
U.S. Representative to the United Nations Madeleine Albright talks to Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Rabin in New York City on November 14, 1993. (Photo: [Jaacov Saar, GPO](#))



U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright watches Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu greet Israel's Foreign Minister David Levy at the Prime Minister's Jerusalem office on September 10, 1997. (Photo: [Avi Ohayon, GPO](#))



President Bill Clinton greets Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu at a party.



Dennis Ross talks to Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres (center) and Gen. Ehud Barak, head of the IDF, in 1994.
(Photo: *The Missing Peace* by Dennis Ross)



Martin Indyk (left), Itamar Rabinovich (center), and Dennis Ross walk together. (Photo: *The Missing Peace* by Dennis Ross)



Dennis Ross talks to Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu. (Photo: *The Missing Peace* by Dennis Ross)



Clockwise: Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, Nava Barak (Barak's wife), Dennis Ross, Amnon Shahak (at the time the designated head of the IDF), and Prime Minister Ehud Barak have a dinner in Shepherdstown, West Virginia in 2000. (Photo: *The Missing Peace* by Dennis Ross)



Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Barak (left) talks to Dennis Ross in Jerusalem on December 8, 1999. (Photo: [U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv](#))



Secretary of State Madeleine Albright greets Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Barak in Jerusalem on December 8, 1999. (Ziv Koren/CORBIS SYGMA)



Dennis Ross and Secretary of State Warren Christopher talk to Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Rabin and Itamar Rabinovich. (Photo: *The Missing Peace* by Dennis Ross)



Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Rabin (left) greets U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher in Jerusalem on February 23, 1993. (PATRICK BAZ/AFP/Getty Images)

GEORGE W. BUSH ADMINISTRATION



From left to right, David Ivry, Israeli Ambassador to the United States; Paul D. Wolfowitz, Deputy Secretary of Defense; Ariel Sharon, Prime Minister of Israel; Donald H. Rumsfeld, U.S. Secretary of Defense; and Martin Indyk, U.S. Ambassador to Israel, pose for a group photo at the Pentagon near Washington, D.C. on March 19, 2001. (Photo: Robert D. Ward/U.S. Department of Defense)



United States Ambassador to Israel Daniel C. Kurtzer (right) appears with Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon in Jerusalem on February 2, 2003. Daniel C. Kurtzer is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. (David Silverman/Getty Images)



Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz (left) meets with Israel's Defense Minister Lt. Gen. Shaul Mofaz (right foreground) at the Pentagon on January 18, 2002. Under Secretary of Defense for Policy Douglas Feith sits to the right of Mofaz. Defense Department Comptroller Dov Zakheim sits across from Feith. Peter W. Rodman, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, sits next to Dov Zakheim. (Photo: U.S. Department of Defense)



Left photo: Douglas Feith (right), the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy shakes hands with Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon. Douglas Feith is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo: [History Commons](#))



Right photo: U.S. Senator Joseph Lieberman appears with Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Olmert. Joseph Lieberman is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.



Vice President of the United States Dick Cheney visits Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon in 2005. (Photo: [Avi Ohayon, GPO](#))



Vice President Dick Cheney congratulates Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Olmert on May 24, 2006, following the prime minister's remarks to a Joint Meeting of Congress at the U.S. Capitol. (White House photo by David Bohrer)



Vice President Dick Cheney listens to Israeli Defense Minister Ehud Barak during a meeting in Jerusalem on March 23, 2008. (Reuters via Asaf Ravitz/GPO)



In this handout image provided by the Israeli Government Press Office (GPO), Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Olmert (R) meets with U.S. Vice President Dick Cheney March 24, 2008 in Jerusalem, Israel. Cheney is visiting various officials in Israel and the Palestinian West Bank this week. (Getty Images)



Vice President Dick Cheney (left) shakes hands with Israeli opposition leader and former Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu before attending their breakfast meeting at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem on March 23, 2008. (AFP/Getty Images)



Vice President Dick Cheney talks with former Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Sunday, March 23, 2008, before a breakfast with Netanyahu at the Kind David Hotel in Jerusalem. ([White House photo by David Bohrer](#))



Israel's President Shimon Peres shakes hands with U.S. Vice President Dick Cheney (R) during their meeting in Jerusalem March 23, 2008, in this picture released by the Israeli Government Press Office (GPO). (Reuters/GPO)



Vice President Dick Cheney meets with Israeli President Shimon Peres at the presidential residence in Jerusalem on March 23, 2008. ([White House photo by David Bohrer](#))



U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice shakes hands with Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon in Jerusalem on February 6, 2005. (Photo: [Matty Stern, U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv](#))



Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice shakes hands with Prime Minister of Israel in Jerusalem on October 4, 2006. (Photo: [Matty Stern, U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv](#))



Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Olmert talk before their dinner at the Prime Minister's Residence in Jerusalem on October 4, 2006. In the background are State Department Counselor Philip Zelickow and the Prime Minister's Chief of Staff Yoram Turbowicz. Zelickow and Rice are members of the Council on Foreign Relations.
(Photo: [Matty Stern, U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv](#))



Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice shakes hands with Israeli Deputy Prime Minister Shaul Mofaz at the State Department on October 23, 2006. (Photo: [Michael Gross, Department of State](#))



U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice meets with Israeli Defense Minister Ehud Barak at the David Citadel Hotel in Jerusalem on October 14, 2007. (Photo: [Matty Stern/U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv](#))



Condoleezza Rice chats with Shimon Peres (center) and Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon (right) at a party.



U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice (R) meets Israel's Defense Minister Ehud Barak in Washington, D.C. on July 29, 2008, in this picture released by Israel's Ministry of Defense. The United States will soon link Israel up to two advanced missile detection systems as a precaution against any future attack by a nuclear-armed Iran, Barak said on Tuesday. ([Reuters](#))



In this handout image provided by the U.S. Embassy in Tel Aviv, U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice meets with Israeli Defence Minister Ehud Barak at a breakfast at the David Citadel Hotel in Jerusalem on May 4, 2008. ([Getty Images](#))



Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice meets with Israeli Defense Minister Amir Peretz in Jerusalem on October 5, 2006. (Photo: [Matty Stern, U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv](#))



Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice greets Israeli Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni in Jerusalem on October 5, 2006. Tzipi Livni is a former Mossad agent. (Photo: [Matty Stern, U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv](#))



Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice shakes hands with Israeli Foreign Minister Silvan Shalom at The David Citadel Hotel in Jerusalem on July 21, 2005. (Photo: [Matty Stern, U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv](#))



Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice visits Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon at his ranch in the Israeli southern Negev desert on July 22, 2005. ([AFP/Getty Images Photo](#))



Shimon Peres kisses Condoleezza Rice (left) and embraces Colin Powell (right).



National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice meets with Prime Minister Ehud Barak at the Defense Ministry in Tel Aviv on August 15, 2000. (Photo: [Avi Ohayon, GPO](#))



U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell greets Israel's President Moshe Katsav at the Israeli president's office in Jerusalem on May 11, 2003. (Photo: [U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv](#))



U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell meets with Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon on February 25, 2001. (Photo: [Avi Ohayon, GPO](#))



Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Colin Powell shakes hands with Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Shamir in Jerusalem on July 13, 1990, weeks before Iraq invaded Kuwait. (Photo: [Israeli Tsvika, GPO](#))



U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell meets with Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Barak at the Prime Minister's office in Jerusalem on February 24, 2001. (Photo: [Avi Ohayon, GPO](#))



U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell shakes hands with Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Barak in Jerusalem on February 24, 2001. (Photo: [Avi Ohayon, GPO](#))



U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell meets with Israel's Defense Minister Shaul Mofaz in Jerusalem on May 11, 2003.
(Photo: [U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv](http://www.usembassy.gov))



Left photo: Malcolm Hoenlein (left), the Executive Vice Chairman of Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, visits Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon in Israel. Malcolm Hoenlein is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.



Right photo: James H. Tisch, President and CEO of Loews Corp., takes a picture of himself and Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon with a disposable camera after being introduced prior to his speech to the Conference of Presidents dinner in Jerusalem on February 20, 2005. James H. Tisch is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Loews Corp. is a company that produces Newport cigarettes.



Secretary Colin Powell greets Israeli Foreign Minister Silvan Shalom at the David Citadel Hotel in Jerusalem on May 10, 2003. (Photo: [U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv](#))



Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon (left) and U.S. Vice President Dick Cheney appear at a press conference in Jerusalem on March 19, 2002.





Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld and Israeli Deputy Prime Minister Shimon Peres share some private thoughts before sitting down to formal discussions in the Pentagon on October 22, 2001. (Photo by R. D. Ward, U.S. Department of Defense)



Israeli Defense Minister Shaul Mofaz (center) is escorted through an honor cordon and into the Pentagon by Donald Rumsfeld on March 11, 2004. (Photo: U.S. Department of Defense)



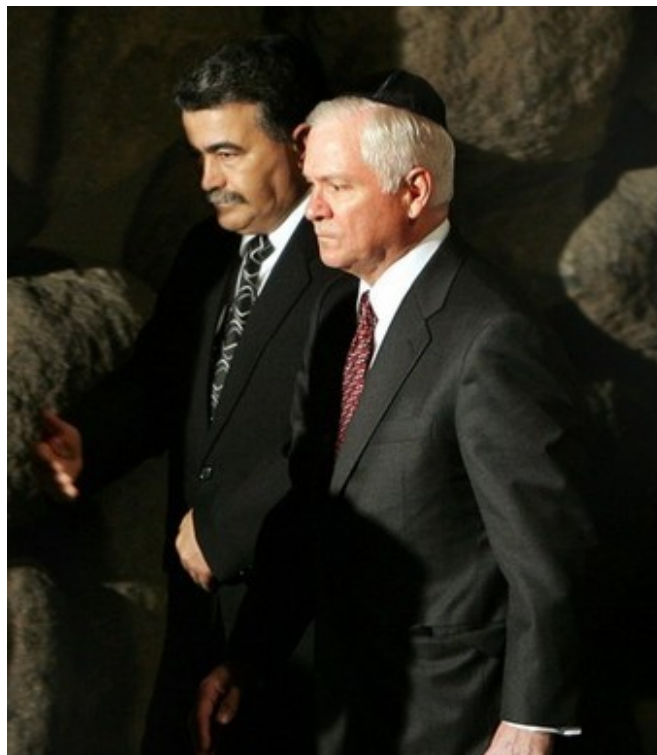
Secretary of Defense Robert Gates shakes hands with Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Olmert (left) at the start of their meeting in the Prime Minister's office in Jerusalem on April 19, 2007. (AFP/Getty Images)



U.S. Secretary of Defense Robert Gates shakes hands with Israel's Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni during their meeting in Tel Aviv on April 19, 2007. Tzipi Livni is a former Mossad agent; Robert Gates served as the CIA Director from 1991 to 1993 under President George H.W. Bush. (AFP/Getty Images)



U.S. Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates toasts with Israel's Minister of Defense Ehud Barak during a recent trip to the Pentagon on November 27, 2007. (Photo by U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Jerry Morrison, U.S. Department of Defense)



Secretary of Defense Robert Gates, wearing a yarmulke cap, walks with Israel's Defense Minister Amir Peretz during a visit to the Yad Vashem Holocaust museum in Jerusalem on April 19, 2007. (AFP/Getty Images)



Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates (right) greets Israel's Defense Minister Ehud Barak at the Pentagon on October 16, 2007. (Photo: U.S. Department of Defense)



Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates meets with Israel's Minister of Defense Amir Peretz (left) in Gates' Pentagon office on March 13, 2007. (Photo: [Helene C. Stikkel, U.S. Department of Defense](#))



Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld (left) and Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon (right) inspect the honor guard at the Pentagon on March 19, 2001. (Photo by R. D. Ward, U.S. Department of Defense)



U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell visits Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon in Israel.



Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld (right) introduces Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Richard Myers (left), U.S. Air Force, to Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon (center) after an arrival ceremony for Sharon at the Pentagon on March 19, 2001. (Photo by R. D. Ward, U.S. Department of Defense)



Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice sits beside Prime Minister Ariel Sharon (left) and stands beside Prime Minister Ehud Olmert (right).



Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice meets with Likud Party Chairman Benjamin Netanyahu (left) at the David Citadel Hotel in Jerusalem on September 19, 2007. ([Photo by Matty Stern, U.S. Embassy/Tel Aviv](#))



Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice (left) listens to Israeli opposition leader and Likud Party Chairman Benjamin Netanyahu in Jerusalem on March 30, 2008. (AFP/Getty Images/U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv)



National Security Advisor Stephen Hadley meets with Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Olmert in Jerusalem on April 15, 2008. (Israeli GPO Photo)



Israel's Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni (left) shakes hands with Vice President Dick Cheney during their meeting in Jerusalem on March 23, 2008. Tzipi Livni is a former Mossad agent. (Reuters)



Israel's Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni (left) and U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice (right) trade cheek kisses before signing a memorandum of understanding, aimed at preventing arms smuggling into Gaza, at the State Department in Washington, D.C. on January 16, 2009. ([Reuters](#))



Israel's Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni (2nd L) and U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice (2nd R) are directed by aides as they sign a memorandum of understanding, aimed at preventing arms smuggling into Gaza, at the State Department in Washington, D.C. on January 16, 2009. ([Reuters](#))

OBAMA ADMINISTRATION



Secretary of Defense Robert Gates (R) meets with Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu after a luncheon in Jerusalem, Israel on July 27, 2009. (Getty Images)



Israel's Defense Minister Ehud Barak (R) shakes hands with U.S. President Barack Obama's Middle East envoy, former U.S. Senator George Mitchell, before their meeting in Tel Aviv on July 26, 2009. (Reuters)



U.S. Special Envoy to the Middle East George J. Mitchell meeting with Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu at the Prime Minister Office in Jerusalem on October 30, 2009. (State Department photo by Matty Stern U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv / Public Domain)
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U.S. Secretary of Defense Robert Gates (left) shares a laugh with Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu (right) during a luncheon in Jerusalem on July 27, 2009. (AP Photo)



Israel's President Shimon Peres, right, greets U.S. Representative to the United Nations Susan E. Rice, left, during a meeting at the Israeli presidential conference in Jerusalem, Israel on October 20, 2009. Rice visited Israel to attend the three-day conference hosted by Peres. (AP Photo/Sebastian Scheiner)



Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu (left) greets U.S. Representative to the United Nations Susan E. Rice in Jerusalem, Israel on October 21, 2009.



U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano (left) meets with Israel's President Shimon Peres at his residence in Jerusalem, Israel on January 3, 2011. Janet Napolitano is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. (FNC)



U.S. Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates (left) meets with Israel's President Shimon Peres in Tel Aviv, Israel on March 24, 2011. (U.S. Department of Defense photo by Cherie Cullen)



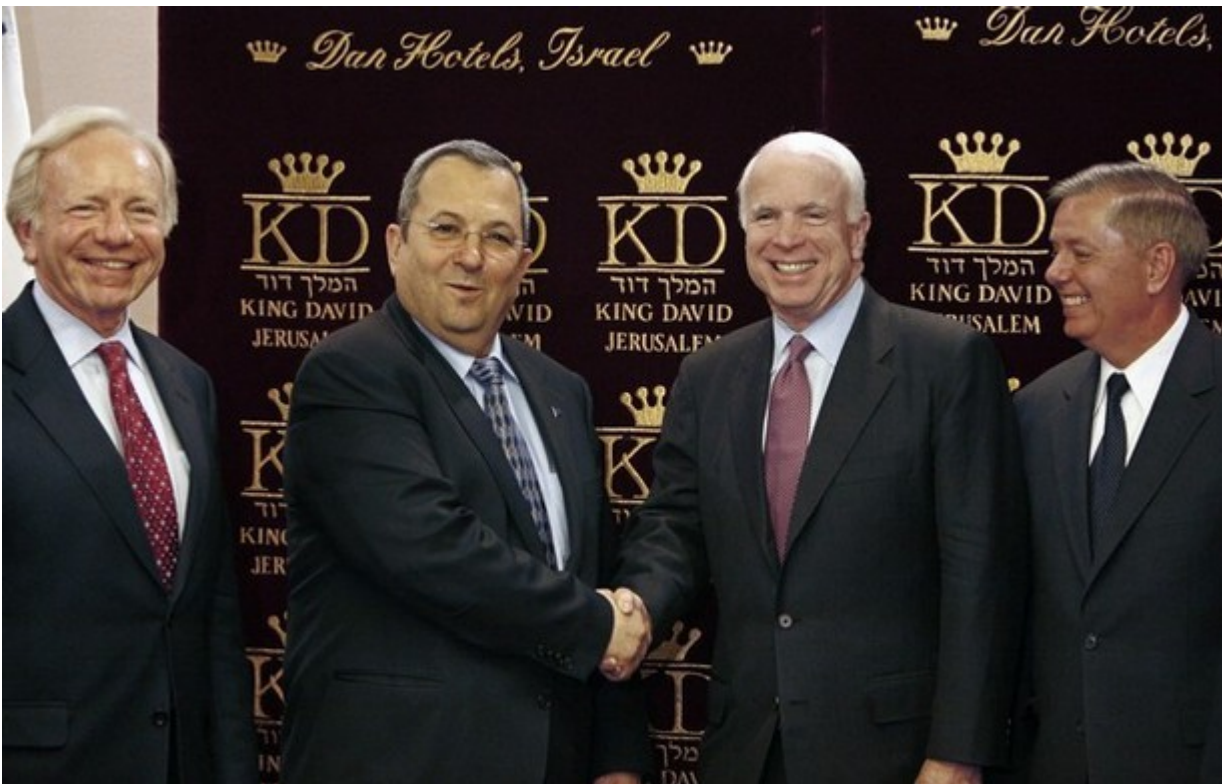
Israeli President Shimon Peres (R) greets Senator John Kerry, the chairman of the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee, before a meeting in Washington, D.C. on May 4, 2009. Peres vowed that Israel will not yield to Iran's nuclear threat as he prepares to meet U.S. President Barack Obama, who has stirred unease with his policies toward Iran. ([Getty Images](#))



Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu (L) meets with members of the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee including Committee Chairman Sen. John Kerry (D-MA) on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. on May 19, 2009. ([Reuters](#))



Israeli President Shimon Peres (left), Republican Party presidential candidate Senator John McCain (center), and Senator Joe Lieberman (right) appear at the presidential residence in Jerusalem on March 18, 2008. John McCain and Joseph Lieberman are members of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo by Moshe Milner/GPO/Getty Images)



Senator Joseph Lieberman (left) and Senator Lindsey Graham (right) smile as Republican Party presidential candidate Senator John McCain shakes hands with Israeli Defense Minister Ehud Olmert (second from left) at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem on March 19, 2008. Joseph Lieberman and John McCain are members of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo by Tara Todras-Whitehill-Pool/Getty Images)



Senator John McCain (left) shakes hands with Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon in Jerusalem on August 17, 2003. (Photo by Moshe Milner/GPO/Getty Images)



Republican Party presidential candidate Senator John McCain shakes hands with Israel's opposition leader Benjamin Netanyahu (left) during their meeting in Jerusalem on March 19, 2008. (AP Photo)



Senator Joe Lieberman (left) and Senator John McCain (right) meet with Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Olmert (center) in Jerusalem on December 18, 2006. (Photo by Amos Ben Gershom/GPO via Getty Images)



Republican Party presidential candidate Sen. John McCain looks on as Israeli Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni (left) gestures during their meeting in Jerusalem on March 19, 2008. (AP Photo)



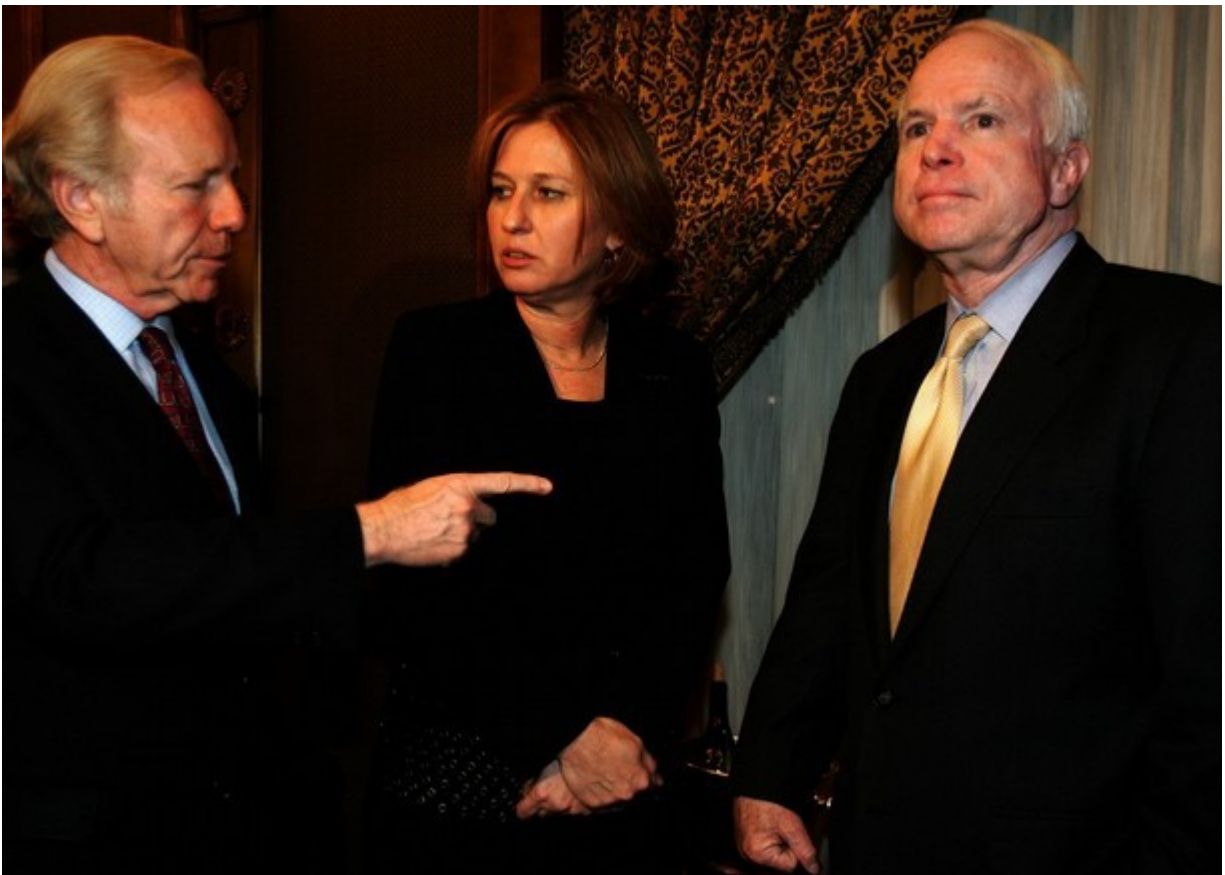
Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon (left) meets with Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist (center) and Senator Joseph Lieberman in Sharon's offices in Jerusalem, Israel on May 2, 2005. (Photo by Moshe Milner/GPO via Getty Images)



U.S. Senator Joseph Lieberman meets with Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon (left) in the Prime Minister's office in Tel Aviv, Israel on July 1, 2004. Joseph Lieberman is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, an internationalist organization in New York City. (Photo by Avi Ohayon/GPO via Getty Images)



Congresswoman Jane Harman appears with Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon.



Israeli Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni (center) stands with Senator Joseph Lieberman (left) and Senator John McCain before a dinner meeting with a U.S. Senate delegation in Jerusalem on December 17, 2006. Tzipi Livni is a former Mossad agent. (Menahem Kahana/AFP/Getty Images)



U.S. Senator Jacob Javits meets Golda Meir in Israel in 1970.
(Photo: *Javits: The Autobiography of a Public Man* by Senator Jacob K. Javits with Rafael Steinberg)



Senator George McGovern (center) visits Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Rabin (left) at his home in Tel Aviv in April 1975.



David Ben-Gurion chats with U.S. Senator Jacob K. Javits.

(Photo: *Javits: The Autobiography of a Public Man* by Senator Jacob K. Javits with Rafael Steinberg)



Senator Joseph Lieberman (left) watches former Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu (center) shakes hands with Senator Jesse Helms (right) prior to his briefing on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict to members of the U.S. Senate on Capitol Hill on April 10, 2002. Joseph Lieberman is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo by Alex Wong/Getty Images)



Republican Party presidential candidate Senator John McCain (center) and Senator Joe Lieberman (left) worship at the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem on March 19, 2008. John McCain and Joe Lieberman are members of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo by David Silverman/Getty Images)



Left to right: U.S. Senator John McCain, conference Chairman Horst Teltschik, Israeli Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni, and U.S. Senator Joe Lieberman talk together before dinner at the Bayerischer Hof Hotel in Munich, Germany on February 9, 2007. The 43rd Conference on Security Policy was held in Munich, Germany from February 9-11, 2007. McCain and Lieberman are members of the Council on Foreign Relations. Teltschik attended several Bilderberg Meetings in the past. (AFP/Getty Images)



Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon (R) poses for photos with congressional leaders, including Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist (R-TN), before a dinner at the Blair House in Washington, D.C. on April 12, 2005. Earlier in the day, Sharon met with Jewish members of Congress and new World Bank President Paul Wolfowitz. Bill Frist is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. (JONATHAN ERNST/Reuters/Corbis)



U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein (Democrat-California), a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a member of the Trilateral Commission, greets Shimon Peres (left), the acting Prime Minister of Israel, in 1995.
(Photo: [Official Website of U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein](#))



Israel's President Shimon Peres, right, shakes hands with U.S. Senator John Kerry during their meeting at the President's residence in Jerusalem on Friday, February 20, 2009. ([Associated Press](#))



Israel's Defense Minister Ehud Barak (L) shakes hands with U.S. Senator John Kerry (D-MA) during their meeting in Tel Aviv on February 19, 2009, in this picture released by the Israeli Defense Ministry. ([Reuters](#))



U.S. Senator John Kerry (D-MA) and Israel's Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni (R) stand in front of the remains of rockets fired by Palestinian-Arab terrorists in Gaza, during a visit to a police station in the southern Israeli town of Sderot on February 19, 2009. ([Reuters](#))



Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu speaks at the Council on Foreign Relations in New York City on July 8, 2010. (Getty Images) <http://www.daylife.com/photo/0bEw4Gf7911vT?q=council+on+foreign+relations>



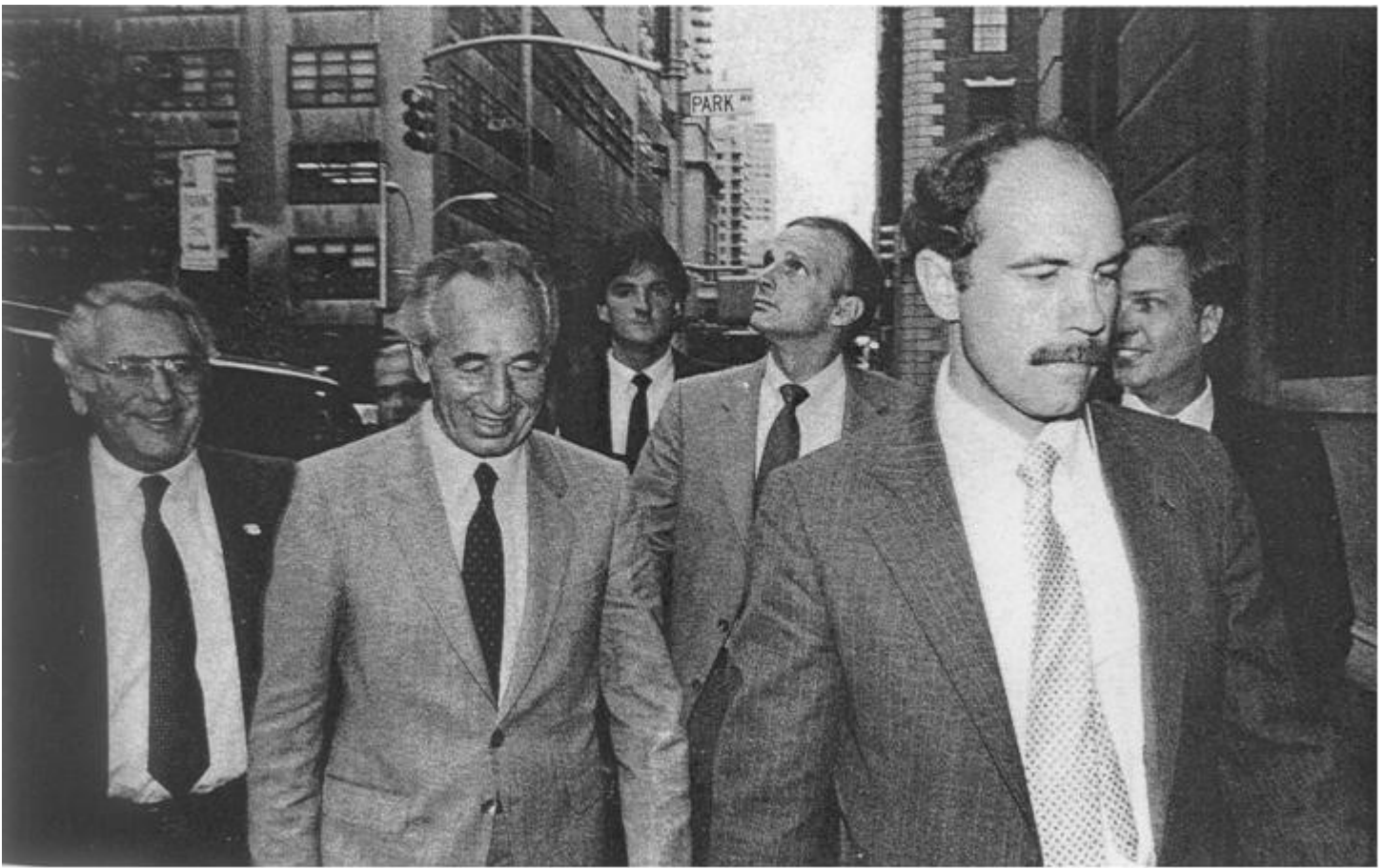
Israeli opposition leader and former Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni speaks at the Council on Foreign Relations in New York City on May 5, 2009. (Reuters)



Israeli Vice Prime Minister Shimon Peres (left) chats with publisher Mortimer Zuckerman at the Council on Foreign Relations in New York City on July 31, 2006. (Photo by Chris Hondros/Getty Images)



Prime Minister of Israel Benjamin Netanyahu speaks at the Council on Foreign Relations in New York City on July 8, 2010. (Getty Images) <http://www.daylife.com/photo/0cq89XH3q71A8?q=council+on+foreign+relations>



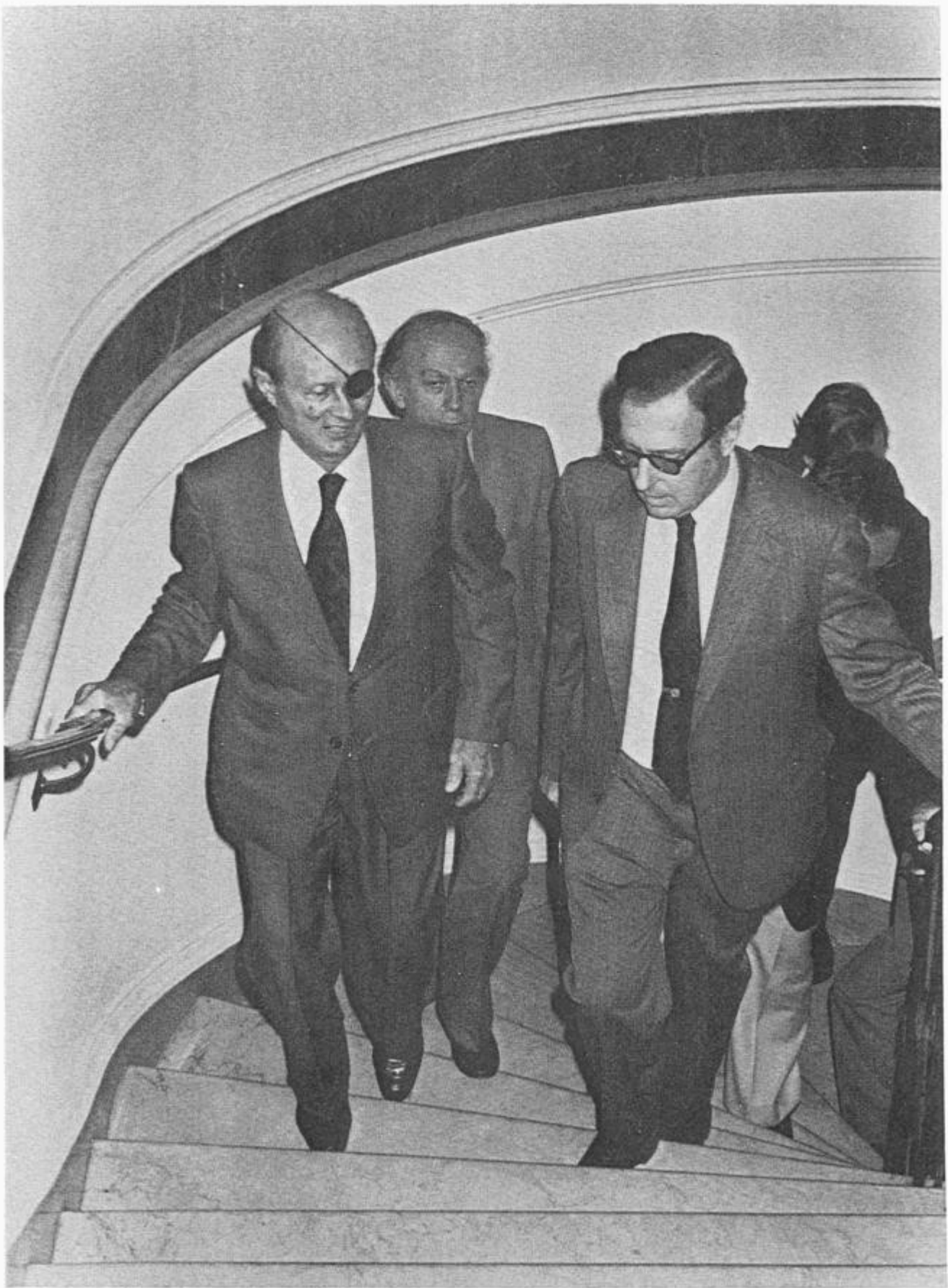
Shimon Peres and Winston Lord (right, smiling) are seen walk outside the Harold Pratt House in New York City. Winston Lord is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a member of Skull & Bones. (Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Left photo: Council on Foreign Relations President Leslie H. Gelb (standing at right) watches Shimon Peres, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Israel, shakes hands with Council on Foreign Relations Chairman Peter G. Peterson in front of the Harold Pratt House on September 29, 1993. (Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)

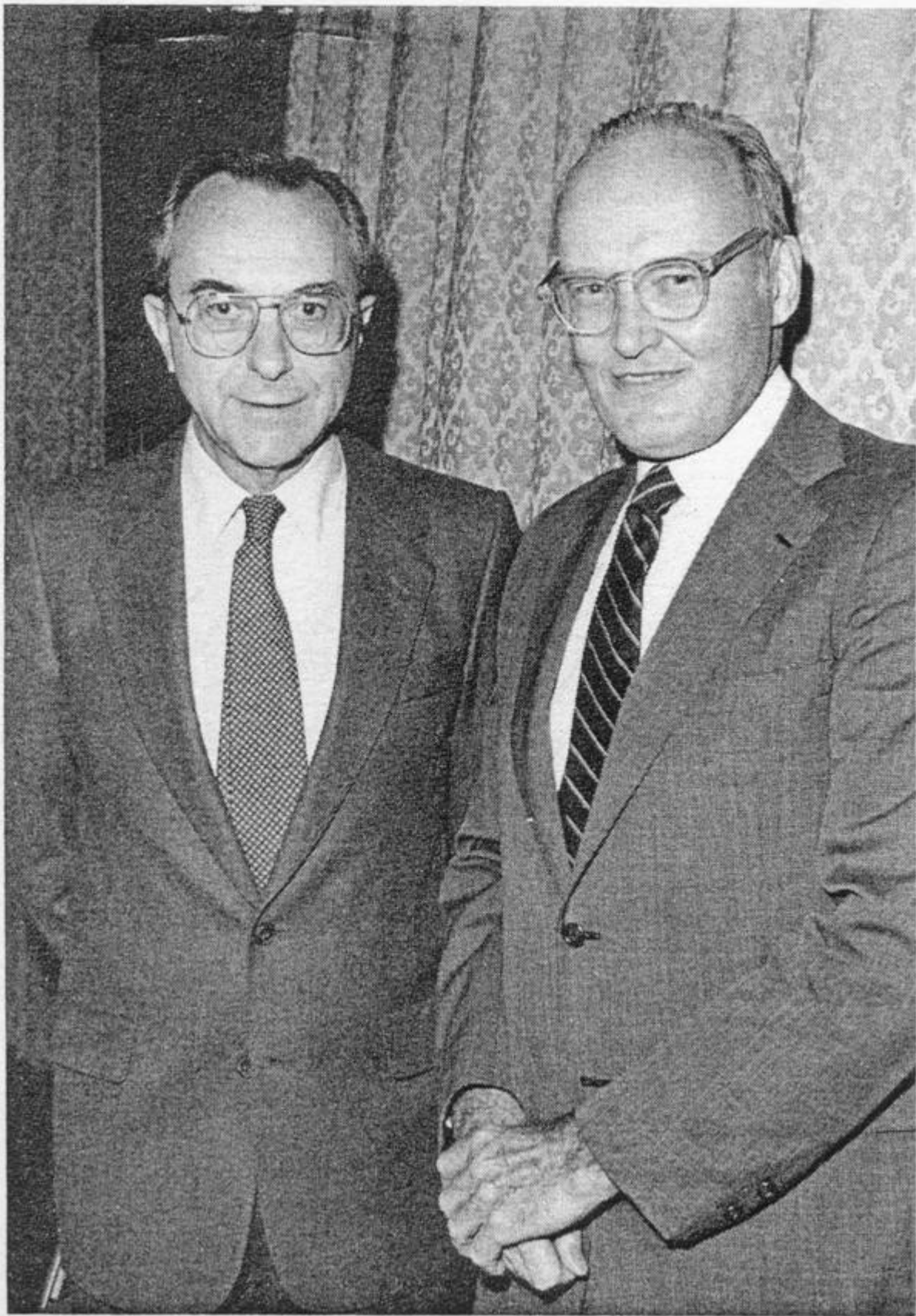


Right photo: Edward Bleier watches Israel's Minister of Foreign Affairs Shimon Peres deliver a speech to members of the Council on Foreign Relations on September 29, 1993. (Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Moshe Dayan, Ephraim Evron and Thomas L. Hughes

Moshe Dayan, Ephraim Evron, and President of Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Thomas L. Hughes walk up the stairs at the Harold Pratt House. Thomas L. Hughes is a Rhodes Scholar and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)

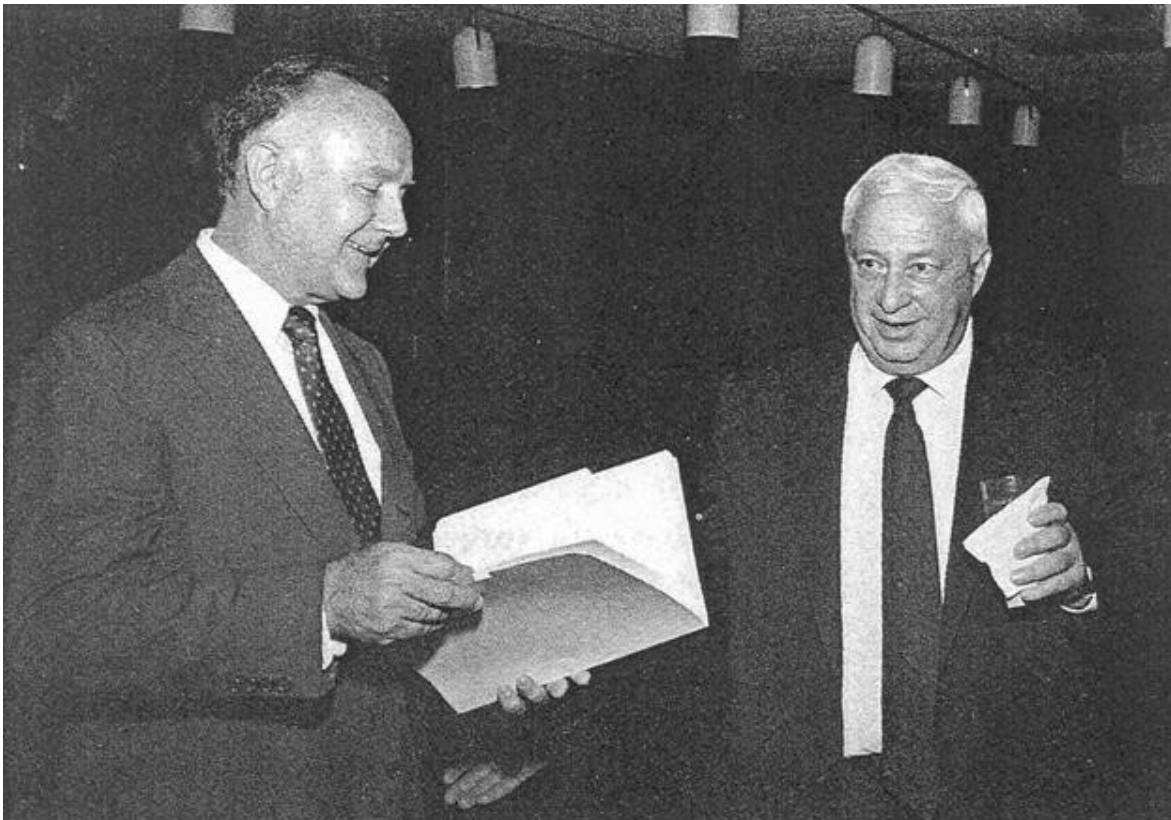


Moshe Arens and McGeorge Bundy

Israel's Minister of Defense Moshe Arens (left) and former National Security Advisor McGeorge Bundy appear at the Harold Pratt House on December 12, 1983. (Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Henry Siegman, former Prime Minister of Israel Shimon Peres, Gad Yaacobi, and Collette Avital meet at the Harold Pratt House on May 23, 1994. Henry Siegman is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.
(Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Ariel Sharon talks to Alton Frye at the Harold Pratt House on September 13, 1989.
(Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Edgar Bronfman (left) talks to Moshe Arad (center), the Israeli Ambassador to the U.S. and Moshe Arens (right), the Israeli Minister of Foreign Affairs, at the Harold Pratt House on March 16, 1989. (Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



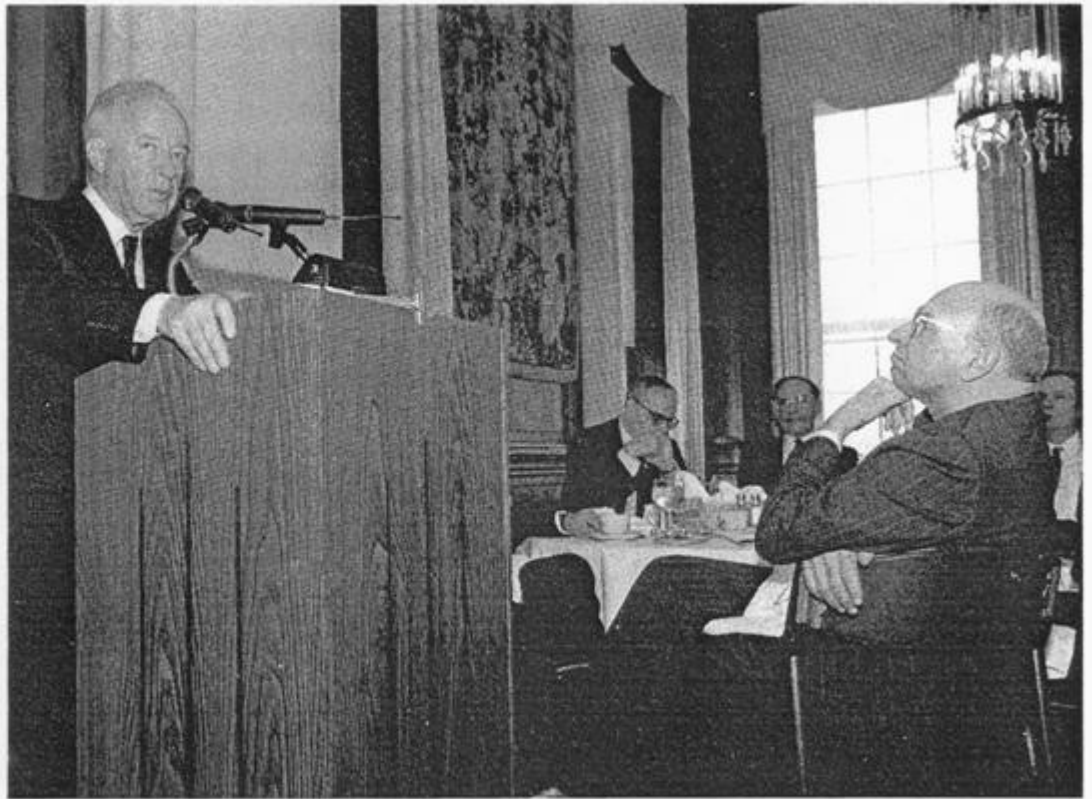
Israeli Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Warren Christopher appear at a Council on Foreign Relations meeting in Los Angeles. (Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)

1) Presider Carla A. Hills, Judith Kipper, Speaker Dan Meridor, Minister of Finance of Israel, and Stephen J. Solarz at the October 3, 1996, Middle East Forum Meeting, "Political and Economic Trends in Israel."



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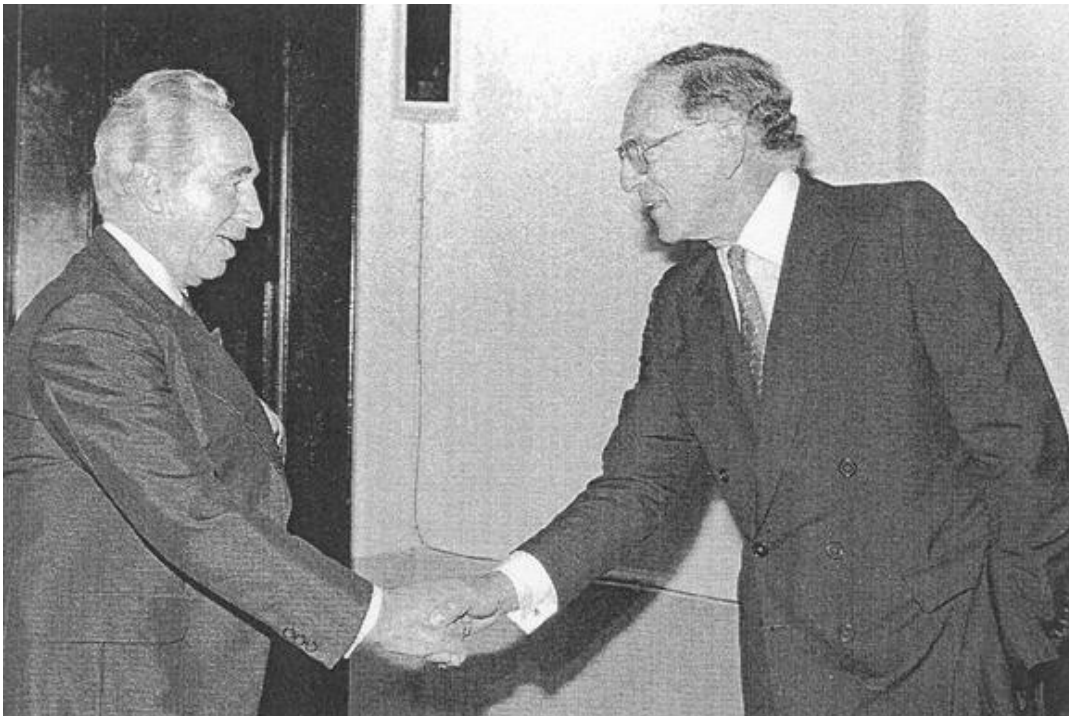
*Speaker Yitzhak Rabin,
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(Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Richard C. Hottelet (left) talks to Abba Eban, former Israeli Ambassador to the U.S., at a meeting on May 7, 1991.
(Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Morton L. Janklow greets Shimon Peres (left) at the Harold Pratt House on June 19, 1990.
(Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Howard M. Squadron (right) and Lally Weymouth (center) invite Leah Rabin to the Harold Pratt House on December 12, 1995.
(Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Laurence A. Tisch appears with Prime Minister of Israel Yitzhak Shamir at the Harold Pratt House in New York City on March 21, 1989. (Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Yitzhak Shamir talks to former U.S. Ambassador to Israel Samuel W. Lewis and John Temple Swing (center) in 1986.
(Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Former Israel Ambassador to the U.S. Abba Eban, Council on Foreign Relations President Peter Tarnoff, and former U.S. Ambassador to Israel Samuel W. Lewis enjoy a luxurious dinner at the Harold Pratt House on April 26, 1988.
(Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Raghida Dergham listens as Itamar Rabinovitch, former Israeli Ambassador to the U.S., make a speech at a Council on Foreign Relations meeting on November 20, 1996. (Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Shimon Peres, Amos Perlmutter and Barbara Tuchman

Shimon Peres meets with Amos Perlmutter, and Barbara Tuchman. (Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



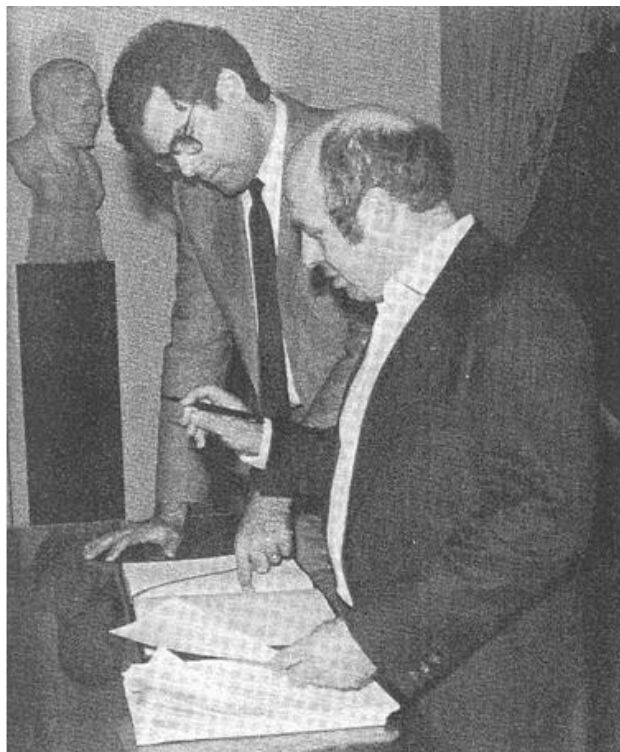
Former U.S. Ambassador to the Soviet Union Robert S. Strauss (left) listens to former Prime Minister of Israel Shimon Peres at the Harold Pratt House on November 21, 1997. (Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Speaker Stuart E. Eizenstat, U.S. Department of the Treasury, and Presider Itamar Rabinovich at the December 6-7, 1999, U.S./Middle East Project-Tel Aviv University Conference, "The Middle East: Toward the 21st Century."



Left photo: Stuart Eizenstat is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)
Right photo: Yitzhak Rabin (left) and Ivan Selin appear together at the Harold Pratt House on March 4, 1991. (Photo: Council on Foreign Relations Annual Report)



Jeff DeLaurentis invites Natan Sharansky to the Harold Pratt House on October 29, 1987. (Photo: CFR Annual Report)

SPECIAL INTERESTS



Prime Minister of Israel Ehud Olmert (left) and former U.S. Ambassador to Israel Martin Indyk attend the National Security Studies 'Security Challenges of the 21st. Century' Conference in Tel Aviv, Israel on December 11, 2007. (Pool/Getty Images)



Left photo: Martin Indyk (left), former U.S. Ambassador to Israel, visits Shimon Peres, President of Israel.
(Photo: <http://www.danhotels.com/readNews.asp?priority=28&bar=7>)



Right photo: Rupert Murdoch, chairman of the board of News Corp. and owner of Fox News Channel, meets with Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon. Rupert Murdoch is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.
(Photo: <http://www.fpp.co.uk/online/02/05/Murdoch1.html>)



Former Governor of New York Thomas E. Dewey visits David Ben-Gurion (left) on October 5, 1955. Thomas E. Dewey was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.



At a mass meeting for Israel in New York together with Eleanor Roosevelt, Abba Eban and Averell Harriman.

Left to right: Eleanor Roosevelt, Israeli Army Chief of Staff General Moshe Dayan, Israeli Ambassador to the U.S. Abba Eban, and Governor of New York Averell Harriman stand together at a mass meeting for Israel in New York City. Averell Harriman was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a member of Skull & Bones at Yale University. This photo was published in the photographic book *Moshe Dayan: A Portrait* (edited by Pinchas Jurman – Dodd, Mead & Company, New York, 1968).



"Salute to Freedom" rally for Israel's 10th Anniversary was held at the Polo Grounds in New York City on April 27, 1958. From left to right: former Governor of New York Herbert Lehman, Eleanor Roosevelt, Israel Army Chief of Staff Gen. Moshe Dayan, Israeli Ambassador to the U.S. Abba Eban, and Governor of New York Averell Harriman. (Bettmann/CORBIS)



Ralph J. Bunche (left), acting mediator for the United Nations in Palestine, meets with David Ben-Gurion, Prime Minister of Israel, in Tel Aviv, Israel on December 12, 1948. Ralph J. Bunche was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Bettmann/CORBIS)



Prime Minister of Israel David Ben-Gurion (left) meets with United Nations negotiator Ralph Bunche in Tel Aviv, Israel in 1958.
(AP Photo) <http://www.haaretz.com/weekend/week-s-end/times-they-aren-t-a-changin.premium-1.435194>



United Nations negotiator Ralph Bunche (left) meets with Israeli diplomat Abba Eban.



Golda Meir, the Prime Minister of Israel, talks to Arthur J. Goldberg at the Israeli embassy in Washington, D.C. on February 27, 1973. Arthur J. Goldberg was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a former Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court. (Photo: [Golda Meir Photo Collection at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee Libraries](#))

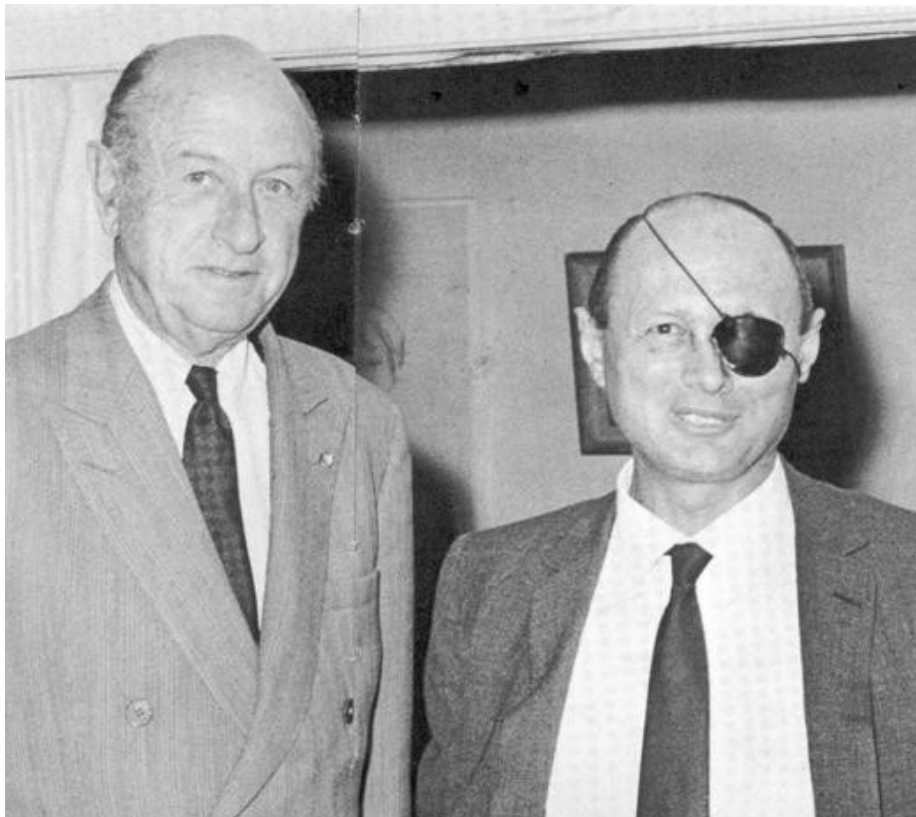


Right: New York City Mayor John V. Lindsay gives Prime Minister of Israel Golda Meir a key of the city in front of the City Hall in New York City on September 29, 1969. John V. Lindsay was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a member of Scroll & Key, a secret society at Yale University. This photo was published in the [Golda Meir Photo Collection at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee Libraries](#).



To my dear friend, Dr. Armand Hammer - M. Begin

Armand Hammer (left), the Chairman of the board of Occidental Petroleum, visits Prime Minister of Israel Menachem Begin in 1981. (Photo: *Hammer* by Armand Hammer)



Eugene Black stands beside Defense Minister Moshe Dayan. Eugene Black was a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a president of the World Bank from 1949 to 1962. This photo was published in the photographic book *Moshe Dayan: A Portrait* (edited by Pinchas Jurman – Dodd, Mead & Company, New York, 1968).



Simon Wiesenthal shakes hands with President Jimmy Carter at the White House in August 1980.
 (Photo: *Simon Wiesenthal: A Life in Search of Justice* by Hella Pick)



Abraham H. Foxman, National Director of the Anti-Defamation League (ADL), at a meeting in Jerusalem with Deputy Prime Minister Shimon Peres on May 9, 2005.

Anti-Defamation League national director Abraham H. Foxman (left) meets with Shimon Peres, the Deputy Prime Minister of Israel, on May 9, 2005. Abraham H. Foxman is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.



Abraham H. Foxman, ADL National Director Meets With Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon

Abraham H. Foxman (left), the National Director of the Anti-Defamation League, visits Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon in Jerusalem. Abraham H. Foxman is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.



Edward R. Murrow meets with Prime Minister of Israel David Ben-Gurion in 1956.
(Photo: *Prime Time: The Life of Edward R. Murrow* by Alexander Kendrick)



David Ben-Gurion (left) talks to Adlai E. Stevenson. This photo was published in *Days of David Ben Gurion*, a book edited by Ohad Zmora, Mordechai Barkai, Nahum Pundak, and Israel Stockmann (Grossman Publishers, New York, 1967).



Left photo: James H. Tisch (left) speaks with Knesset speaker Avraham Burg.



Right photo: Council on Foreign Relations Chairman David Rockefeller and Prime Minister of Israel Golda Meir appear at a party at the Harold Pratt House in 1973. (Source: *Continuing the Inquiry: The Council on Foreign Relations from 1921 to 1996* by Peter Grose, page 55)



Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon (right) receives the Anti-Defamation League's Distinguished Statesman Award from ADL National Director Abraham H. Foxman in Washington, D.C. on May 6, 2002. Ariel Sharon met with President George W. Bush on May 7, 2002. Abraham H. Foxman is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo by Stefan Zaklin/Getty Images)



Israel's Deputy Prime Minister Shimon Peres (right) talks with Richard Holbrooke, former U.S. Representative to the United Nations, at the opening of the second conference of Nobel Laureates in Petra, Jordan on June 21, 2006. (Photo by Salah Malkawi/ Getty Images)



Israel's Minister of Defense Yitzhak Rabin (left) meets with former President Jimmy Carter in March 1987.
(Source: *Yitzhak Rabin, 1922-1995* by Dov B. Ben-Meir)



Left photo: Elie Wiesel talks to Yitzhak Rabin (left).



Right photo: Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Silvan Shalom (second from left) meets with the heads of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, Executive Vice Chairman Malcolm Hoenlein (far left), outgoing Chairman James Tisch (second from right) and new Chairman Harold Tanner (far right) on June 27, 2005. Tisch, Hoenlein, and Tanner are members of the Council on Foreign Relations.



The Reverend Jesse Jackson (left) meets with Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres in Tel Aviv, Israel on July 28, 2002. (Havakuk Levison/Reuters/CORBIS)



The Reverend Jesse Jackson (left) embraces Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres before their meeting in Peres' office in Tel Aviv, Israel on July 28, 2002. (Photo by David Silverman/Getty Images)



Left photo: Gabriel Erem (left), Robert Hormats (center), and Benjamin "Bibi" Netanyahu smile for the camera. Robert Hormats is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo: http://www.15minutesmagazine.com/archives/issue_88/pow_0806-04.htm)



Right photo: Malcolm Hoenlein (left), the Executive Vice Chairman of Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, meets with Benjamin "Bibi" Netanyahu. Malcolm Hoenlein is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo: http://www.15minutesmagazine.com/archives/issue_88/pow_0806-04.htm)



Former President Bill Clinton visits Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon.



Former Secretary of State James A. Baker III, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, and Prime Ariel Sharon are sitting in the background while Senator Hillary Clinton and her husband Bill Clinton are sitting in the foreground during their visit to Yitzhak Rabin's memorial service in Israel on November 14, 2005. Baker, Rice, and Bill Clinton are members of the Council on Foreign Relations. (Photo by Israel Hadari-Pool/Getty Images)



Former U.S. President Bill Clinton, flanked by Itamar Rabinovich (left), President of Tel Aviv University, and Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon (right), receives an honorary doctorate in Tel Aviv on January 20, 2002. (Photo by David Silverman/Getty Images)



Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon shakes hands with former President Bill Clinton during their meeting in Sharon's office at the Defense Ministry in Tel Aviv, Israel on September 21, 2003. Clinton arrived in Israel to attend Shimon Peres's 80th birthday festivities. (Photo by Heidi Levine-Pool/Getty Images)



Former U.S. President Bill Clinton (left) appears with Prime Minister of Israel Ariel Sharon (second from left), Foreign Minister of Israel Shimon Peres (second from right) and Mayor of Jerusalem Ehud Olmert (right) at Ariel Sharon's house in Jerusalem on January 21, 2002. (Photo by Avi Ohayon/GPO/Getty Images)



Former U.S. Ambassador to Israel Martin S. Indyk, former U.S. President Bill Clinton, and Israeli businessman Haim Saban meet privately.



Left to right: Shimon Peres, ABC journalist Ted Koppel, former President Bill Clinton, and Israeli businessman Haim Saban smile for the camera. (Photo: [Brookings Institution](#))



In this photo provided by the Appeal of Conscience Foundation, Rabbi Arthur Schneier (right), President and Founder of the Appeal of Conscience Foundation, greets Israel's President Shimon Peres (center) and former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger during the Appeal of Conscience Foundation annual dinner in New York City on September 21, 2010. ([AP Photo](#))



Israeli Defense Minister of Israel Ehud Barak (right), a candidate for the Prime Minister position in the upcoming February 10, 2009 elections, appears with New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg (left) in Tel Aviv, Israel on January 4, 2009. Michael Bloomberg is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

(Photo: <http://canarypapers.wordpress.com/2009/01/05/the-children-of-palestine-a-photo-essay-on-israels-war-crimes-in-gaza/>)



Former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger (left), former Prime Minister of Great Britain Tony Blair (center), and Israel's President Shimon Peres sit for a chat at the President's Conference in Jerusalem, Israel on June 19, 2012.



Israel's President Shimon Peres (right) appears with ABC journalist Barbara Walters (left), a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.